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CURRENT TOPICS.

John Wanamaker is worth $10,000,000.

It costs the Servian people $240,000 a year to support King Milan.

De Lesseps wept when his Panama scheme became too heavy for his shoulders.

It is said that ex-Empress Eugenie has expressed a desire to be cremated after death.

Balloons and parachutes have been sent to Suakim for the use of British troops.

Victoria Woodhull has given $400,000 to a Paris school for the free education of women.

It is reported that Russia and Japan have entered into a secret treaty against England.

The total resources of the widow of the late Prof. Richard Proctor are stated to be only $700.

The effect of color on patients afflicted with [illegible] [illegible]

It is said the Australians are "catching on" to base-ball as played by the American nines.

The richest woman in the world, Dona Isadore Cousino, of Chili, is coming to New York.

Southbridge, Mass., manufactured a million and a half pair of spectacles the past year.

Mr. Limburger, of Newark, has petitioned the New Jersey Legislature to change his name.

Seventeen of the twenty-five cities in Massachusetts voted in favor of license at the recent election.

Queen Victoria and her daughter, Empress Victoria of Germany, spend much time playing chess.

The faculty of Dartmouth College has decided not to grant a scholarship to any person who smokes.

The New York board of aldermen has passed an ordinance requiring vegetables to be sold by weight.

It is unfortunately true that the leading ceremony of Christmas has taken the form of swapping of gifts.

Women's watches are now characterized by their smallness. Some of them scarcely bigger than the thumbnail.

William II. has no salary as Emperor of Germany, but his allowance as King of Prussia is $4,500,000 a year.

Count von Moltke has at his home one of the finest flower gardens in the world. His favorite flower is the rose.

Texas doesn't take kindly to the proposition to carve her into several States. It breaks her all up, so to speak.

The White Caps are seeking popularity. They have sent threatening notices to coal dealers who give short weight.

This is the season when the base-ball umpire lives in peace, and the managers confine their fighting to themselves.

Little Fannie Levy of New York gets a verdict of $5,000 for injuries from a bob-tail street-car. The bobtail must go.

One out of every five school children in Philadelphia is obliged to wear glasses, and the proportion is rapidly increasing.

Fire City, W. T., claims to have the smallest living woman. She is 27 years old, 29 inches tall, and weighs 33 pounds.

The granddaughter of Abraham Lincoln, the daughter of his son Robert, will make her entrance into "society" this winter.

A German patent has been issued for the preparation of wood fiber for spinning. Strong fabrics are made from this product.

The young lady whom the Duke of Newcastle is about to wed is an English girl. For once the American girl has been outdone.

The passion for green has brought the demand for emeralds up with a rush. Jewelers find the green stone remarkably popular.

A New York paper says the latest thing in women's purses has a cash and candy compartment. It should contain a third for chewing gum.

Six European cities have advertised the speedy arrival in their midst of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cleveland. Journalism is in a very bad way over there.

Five of the cadets of the Virginia military institute, at Lexington, have been dismissed for "hazing" and others are to be tried for the same offense.

Miss Davenport, an Irish lady, is the governess of the King of Spain. She gets $5,000 a year salary, and will have a life pension, when her task is done, of $2,500.

It is said that Saxony furnishes the largest percentage of suicides of any civilized State. The number last year was one to about every 2,000 of the population.

Boston Corbett, who killed John Wilkes Booth, has escaped from the Kansas Insane Asylum, where he was confined, and at last accounts he was in Mexico.

Bolivar, the big elephant, was presented to the Philadelphia Zoo as a Christmas present by Adam Forepaugh, who says he is too much trouble to carry about the country.

The American newspaper man have tried to interview Lord Sackville, who is now in Paris, but he sends down word that he wants no communication with the American press.

Notoriety is worth as much as money to these times, and if managed [illegible] apt to bring money. Dr. Tanner, the faster, is about to marry the daughter of a Paris millionaire.

Thirty thousand dollars is a pretty price to pay for a young gelding, but that is the figure at which the three-year-old Proctor Knott was sold to Mr. J. B. Haggin the other day.

One woman in New York makes money by conducting strangers to the shops where bargains can best be secured in any special line of goods, and giving her customers the best of her shopping experience generally.

A Noah is a minister said from the pulpit the other Sunday, that he would give $1.50 if the young men in the gallery would take seats down stairs. They came, and the money was paid.

The new excise rules regulating the sale of liquor in New York provide severe penalties for selling to habitual drunkards, intoxicated persons, minors and Indians. Lo, the poor Indian again!

Statistics in Illinois show a considerable falling off of the rural population and a corresponding gain to Chicago. The trend of the population in many parts of the country is towards the great cities.

Pritchett, an Atlanta farmer, hung his coat on a fence while at work in the field, and a domestic animal coming along stuck his nose into the garment and found and chewed up three twenty-dollar bills. It is unnecessary to remark that the animal was a hog.

The other day a couple of little girls went to a Canadian physician's office to be vaccinated. One of them undertook to speak for the other, and explained: "Doctor, this is my sister. She is too young to know her left arm from her right, so mamma washed both of them."

The richest man in the world is in Queensland, and the single owner of it has been offered $15,000,000 for his possessions.

THE BOAT CAPSIZED,

And Seven Persons Find Watery Graves.

Midnight Tragedy Near Ripley, O.—[illegible] Left to Tell the Story.

Ripley, O., Dec. 30.—Residents of this place were horrified this morning by news of an accident that occurred at night, just above here, by which [illegible] persons were drowned. At that [illegible] three men named J. Brooks, Mrs. Turner, her little daughter, a daughter of G. Lloyd, of this place, who is married [illegible] lived in Kentucky, and a man whose [name] could not be learned, all colored, [started] from the Kentucky shore in a little flat, to cross the river, just as [a] couple [of] steamers left our wharf. The flat, [with] such a heavy load, could make little headway, and before they reached the shore the [illegible] into the swift current of the river, and they sank beneath the waves and were drowned before any assistance could be rendered. The cries were heart-rending, but in the darkness it was impossible to save them. Their friends gathered at the river to-day and searched for their bodies, but so far without success, a cap, supposed to belong to one of the men which was lodged against the Kentucky shore, being all that could be found. Most of the unfortunate party lived in Kentucky.

THE COVETED LAND.

Pawnee Bell Will Give His [illegible] of Boomers the Signal to Rollide [illegible] on February 1.

Wichita, Kan., Dec. 30.—[An] enthusiastic meeting of Oklahoma boomers from towns of Southern Kansas was held here yesterday at the headquarters of Pawnee Bell. It was decided to start February 1, as by that time it would be known what action Congress would take on the Springer bill. An address to the Government and people as to their plans and purposes was ordered published. Pawnee Bell produced five thousand letters of inquiry from all over the United States, and said that of the companies now have enrolled over fifteen thousand people, who will be able to move at the date named. Their agent in Oklahoma was present and said that thousands of people were camped along the line awaiting orders to advance. A squad of soldiers are now just outside of Oklahoma City, and K Troop, Fifth Cavalry, will be ordered there Monday. Many of the squatters have put their houses on wheels and moved them upon chosen lands of the country. He says great efforts will be made by the settlers to drive back invaders. Pawnee Bell will have charge of the northern colonies and trustworthy captains of the eastern and southern colonies. All will meet at Oklahoma City and proceed upon the country in a body. Advices yesterday from the Territory are that an engagement took place yesterday between a party of Texas settlers and scouts of cattlemen. Five of the former and four of the latter were injured, but the Boomers were not stopped.

BLASTING POWDER EXPLODES

Burning Four Houses and Injuring Seven Men, One of Whom Will Die.

Evanston, Pa., Dec. 30.—About [illegible] o'clock this evening flames broke out in Brown Row, belonging to H. C. Frick Coke Company, and four houses were destroyed. The fire was caused by the explosion of two kegs of blasting powder. The house in which the explosion occurred was occupied by Poles. They were preparing powder for their work in the mines to-morrow, when a spark from a pipe ignited the stuff. There was a terrific explosion and seven of the men were frightfully burned. One of them will die. The names of the injured are Joseph Urenchick, Bula Plossoco, Joseph Vecostic, Steven Vatoo, Mike Colwell, Andrew Luck and John Bubat. Bubat is the most seriously injured, the flesh being almost totally burned off his legs, arms and back. It is supposed he was standing between the kegs when the explosion occurred. Joseph Urenchick's feet were almost burned off, and amputation will probably be necessary. The others are burned principally about the hands and arms, but, with the exception of Vecostic, their injuries are not serious.

Ex-Senator Mordecai Dead.

Baltimore, Dec. 31.—Hon. Moses Mordecai died to-day of ossification of the heart, aged eighty-five years. He was a native of South Carolina, and represented that State in the United States Senate for two terms preceding the rebellion.

Bald Knobbers Escape.

Ozark, Mo., Dec. 30.—Two of the condemned Bald Knobbers and five train-robbers escaped from jail here. Unknown persons from the outside cut through the brick wall of the prison, unlocked the corridor and cells, and released the prisoners.

"Mamma Will Never See Me Again"

Waterbury, Ct., Dec. 30.—Carrie [illegible], of Thomaston, aged sixteen, on being scolded for going skating, left home yesterday, saying to a young sister "Mamma will never see me again," and has not been seen since. The [illegible] villages are being searched.

Family Poisoned.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 31.—The family of Ira Warford, who lives at St. Elmo, one of the suburbs of Chattanooga, was poisoned to-day by eating head cheese. It is not known whether the cheese was poisoned, or whether the poison came from a brass kettle in which the cheese was cooked. Warford is in a dying condition to-night, and his wife is in a very serious condition. Two children will both recover.

—A farmer had a son who showed no special aptitude for business, and he was puzzled what to do with him. He concluded to try an experiment, so he locked the boy in a room in which there were only a Bible, an apple and a dollar. A few minutes later he stole quietly to the room. He had made up his mind that if he found the boy eating the apple he would make a good farmer. If he were reading the Bible he should be trained for the pulpit, and if he had taken the money his success as a broker, his father thought, was assured. Upon entering the room he found the boy sitting upon the Bible, eating the apple, with the dollar in his pocket. The boy became an able politician.

—The dear children were playing at horse railroad. Tommy suddenly exclaimed: "Look here! we've forgotten something. We can't go on unless we buy up an alderman."—*N. Y. Ledger.*

—The fact that it is not now regarded as good form to exhibit wedding presents takes away from the pleasure of giving.—*Boston Traveler.*

GREEN-LOOKING,

But His Goods Were First-Class—Dangerous Counterfeit Coins Found on a Countryman in Cleveland, O.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 28.—The other day the police arrested a verdant-appearing chap, who was attempting to sell counterfeit silver dollars to two colored men. He gave his name as William Johnson, and the large number of coins which were found in his possession were so finely counterfeited that it was impossible to distinguish them from genuine silver dollars. They weighed a trifle less than good coins, but their composition is still a mystery to the Government officers. A member of the United States Secret Service has just returned from Lorain County, where he went to investigate Johnson's record. Said he to-night: "I was in the village of Brownhelm, where I found a pale and sickly woman living in a little house, poorly furnished, and all the surroundings bearing evidence of abject poverty. This woman is the wife of Wm. E. Wetherlow, alias Wm. Johnson, the bogus coin [illegible] bears a good name in the community where she lives, but her husband, who earns a scanty living during the summer season by common labor among the farmers there, bears a by no means good reputation. When I told the wife of her husband's arrest she burst into a flood of tears, saying that he had been absent from home recently several days at a time, but she did not know where he was or what was his business. She said, also, that he never treated her unkindly, although he drank sometimes. I searched the house and premises, but did not find any bogus coin, and I am satisfied the wife knows nothing about the business Wetherlow is engaged in, nor do I think he made the stuff he was selling." The opinion prevails that an expert counterfeiter is at work in this vicinity.

A PHENOMENON.

Steam and Heat Issuing From the Crevices in the Rocky Mountains, and Emitting a Sulphurous Smell.

Chamberlain, Dak., Dec. 28.—There is no doubt that the great phenomenon in Charles Mix County is not caused by burning coal alone. There is a great volume of steam constantly issuing from the crevices accompanied by a strong sulphurous odor, and a light-colored smoke. The earth for many feet about is warm. It is also phosphorescent, and can be seen at night for many miles. At frequent intervals a deep rumbling sound is heard for a long distance. The phenomenon is situated on that portion of the Randall military reservation which was lately thrown open to settlement.

A Human Fiend's End.

Paris, Dec. 28.—Prado, thief, bel alphonse, human fiend incarnate on his own boastful admissions, died on the guillotine for the murder of Marie Aguetant, cocotte. The death was witnessed by two hundred artists, newspaper men, actors, lawyers and politicians who possessed influence sufficient to obtain admission within the sentry lines to the Place de la Roquette. Prado died with much the same bravado as Pranzini, his former chum and counterpart. The scene was much more orderly, and not the slightest mishap occurred in the work of M. Deibler. In fifty seconds from his appearance at the prison gate his bleeding head lay in the basket.

Frisco Has a Democratic Mayor.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—The recount of votes cast for mayor in the last election was concluded last evening. At the close of the recount Judge Finn, of the Superior Court, declared E. B. Pond (Democrat) legally elected mayor. C. C. O'Donnell, Independent candidate for mayor and the man who had demanded the recount, made a total net gain of 309 votes, but not enough to elect him over Pond.

Splinter and Darning-Needle.

Columbus, Ind., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Thos. Patras, a wealthy widow of this city, ran a splinter in her hand several days ago and picked it out with a darning-needle. She caught cold in the wound, resulting in erysipelas, spreading over her entire body, causing death to-day under most excruciating circumstances. She was sixty-five years old.

Broke His Promise to a Dead Wife.

Princeton, Ind., Dec. 28.—Miles Jobson, a wealthy widower of this place, who was married on Christmas Day, hanged himself last night. He left a note saying that he had broken his promise not to marry again, given to his first wife on her death-bed, and that he could not endure the reproach of his conscience.

A Professor Drowned.

Leonardtown, Md., Dec. 28.—Prof. Paul Combs, a member of the faculty of the Maryland Agricultural College, was drowned yesterday while ducking at Brenton's Bay, near here. His mother saw the accident from the shore, but having fainted, failed to render any assistance.

Too Tough for Liquor.

Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 28.—The board of aldermen to-night decided to refuse to license the sale of liquor in Buzzard Roost, Pigeon Roost and Scratch Ankle, the notorious resorts of this city where so much crime is committed. All the dance-halls and low dives will be broken up.

Hanged for Wife-Murder.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—Webb Brandon, the wife-murderer, was hanged this morning. He displayed great fortitude on the scaffold. The parting between Brandon and his three children was affecting in the extreme. Brandon killed his wife while drunk.

Confesses on the Scaffold.

Bastrop, La., Dec. 28.—"Pet" Overton, who was convicted in September last for the murder of Frank Rearsey, on April 17, was hanged here to-day. He confessed his guilt. A woman was the cause of the trouble.

Slain by a Shell.

Rome, Dec. 28.—A shell burst in a powder magazine at Messina, Sicily, this morning, killing sixteen soldiers and injuring many others.

A Youthful Patricide.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 28.—News reached here this morning of the fatal stabbing of Dr. Holleman, a leading physician of Craighead County, by his son, aged fifteen. It appears Holleman was trying to chastise the boy when the latter drew a knife and stabbed his father in the heart.

Two Women Killed by Cars.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Martin and Miss Kate Powers failed to notice the approach of a city-bound passenger train as they were crossing the Rock Island tracks, near Forty-seventh street, this afternoon. The two were struck by the engine and thrown fifty feet. Both were killed instantly.

Saved by His Daughter's Shot.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 28.—Peter Murrin, residing near Jellico, attempted Wednesday to kill an old man named Higdon, near Cumberland Gap. Higdon's daughter Martha interfered, and fatally shot M[illegible].

SAVED BY A DOG.

Terrible Struggle With Two Burglars.

An Omaha Saloon-Keeper Shot and Almost Beaten to Death.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 27.—Christ Kalmbach, who runs a saloon in the suburbs, had a remarkable tussle with two burglars who tried to rob him last night. Just as he was about to close up a man entered and asked for a deck of cards. Kalmbach refused to let him have them, as it was too late. The stranger then thrust a revolver in his face and told him to throw up his hands. "Yes I will," said Kalmbach, and seized the intruder. The latter fired, the ball striking Kalmbach in the forehead above the left eye. Although the powder almost blinded him, and the blood was pouring over his face, Kalmbach seized the man by the throat and a fierce struggle ensued. He had thrown his assailant on the floor when he was surprised by the entrance of another man, who began hitting him over the head with a revolver, cutting the scalp frightfully at every blow. Kalmbach's dog, which heard the scuffle in another room, here entered and proceeded to devour villain No. 1, while Kalmbach devoted his attention to villain No. 2. He finally succeeded in throwing him through a window, while the other man broke loose from the dog and joined in the flight of his partner. Kalmbach then staggered to the house of a neighbor, who sent for a doctor. The ball was extracted about an inch from the point of entrance and an eighth of an inch above the temple. He had fourteen ugly scalp wounds. Hopes are entertained for his recovery, although his condition is very critical. His assailants have not been arrested.

FIENDISH TORTURE.

Woman Twists Cords About a Child's Limbs and Tongue Until She Becomes Unconscious From Pain.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 27.—A revolting case of brutality is reported at Reed City, Mich. Mrs. Swarthout, a photographer, has been arrested for maltreating her niece. She is charged with having tied the girl's legs with a stout cord and then putting in a stick and turning the cord until the child would become almost unconscious with pain. She would also cord her tongue in the same manner until the skin bursted. Mrs. Swarthout has been bound over to the next term of court, and in default of $1,000 bail languishes in jail.

Spurious Coin Makers.

New York, Dec. 27.—Three counterfeiters were captured by United States officers this evening in their den, in Brooklyn, while engaged in their work of making counterfeit silver dollars. The men are Wm. Green, sixty-five years, of 11 Henry street, this city; Patrick Kenny, forty-five years, of 37 Bowery, this city, and Timothy Cassidy, forty years, of 50 Pearl street, Brooklyn. At the last place they were found at work behind barred doors. A complete outfit of counterfeiting implements surrounded them.

Attacked by an Eagle.

Bridgeport, Ct., Dec. 27.—Fred B. Hubbard, a druggist, of this city, had a battle with an eagle last night, and after a severe struggle captured it. Hubbard was walking out at the West End when suddenly he was almost knocked down by a huge eagle, which alighted on his shoulder and buried its talons in his flesh. He grabbed the bird, which then fastened its huge beak in his hand, inflicting a severe wound. After a lively tussle the bird was overcome. Hubbard has three bad wounds and a live eagle.

Has Been Going on for Years.

Bismarck, Dak., Dec. 27.—The examination of James Curren, the man arrested on the charge of smuggling opium from Canada into the United States, closed last night. Curren was held. He pleaded innocence of the nature of the packages which he transported across the border. It is believed here that the Curren examination will lead to the exposure of many wealthy men who have been in the business of smuggling over the line into Dakota for years.

New Coast Defense Vessel.

Washington, Dec. 27.—The plans for the contemplated new coast defense vessel are now ready, and are waiting at the navy department the inspection of prospective bidders for the contract. This vessel will cost the Government about $2,000,000, of which $1,700,000 will be paid to contractors, the balance being expended by the Government itself in preparing the armor of the ship.

Gambling Debt Not Valid.

Buffalo, N. Y., Dec. 27.—John F. Moulton, a prominent Buffalo man who died a few years ago, gave a note for $300 to cover part of a gaming debt of $3,500 he owed John Daly, of New York. In the Supreme Court to-day Referee George Gorham decided that Wm. S. Hollingshead could not recover the value of this note in a suit brought against Mr. Moulton's widow.

Maimed by a Cannon's Discharge.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 27.—By the premature discharge of a brass cannon this afternoon at Greenville Horace Brumley lost both eyes, Ed Lemeus lost an eye and had his skull crushed, and Will Mahone was frightfully burned and maimed for life.

British Troops Leave Suakim.

Suakim, Dec. 27.—The Scottish Borderers have sailed for Suez. It is reported that Osman Digna is trying to collect forces at Handoub. The British war sloop Racer, under special orders, has sailed on a cruise.

Party Dispersed by Dynamite.

Harrisonburg, Va., Dec. 27.—Last night a house in the eastern part of this county, in which a number of colored people were holding a party, was blown up by dynamite, and several of the inmates, it is said, fatally wounded.

Divorced Couple Reunited.

Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Dr. Geo. A. Gandill was married to his former wife at Chambersburg, Penn., at midnight last night. They had been divorced about one year. Two policemen acted as witnesses.

"Jack the Ripper."

London, Dec. 27.—Brussels has been thrown into a ferment of excitement by the reception by prominent people of cards and telegrams announcing the advent in the quaint old city of the famous "Jack the Ripper," of Whitechapel notoriety. King Leopold, the Prefect of Police and the Court Ministers are among the recipients of this mysterious being's delicate attentions.

Lost in a Snow-Storm.

Seneca, Kan., Dec. 27.—John T. Yates, ex-justice of the peace, perished in the snow-storm Christmas night on his way home in a buggy.

HERO OF THE HANNA.

Brave Act of James Givens, Which Saved Many Lives, but Will Probably Cost His Own.

New Orleans, Dec. 26.—The story of many acts of heroism on the part of the crew of the steamer John H. Hanna, which was burned near Plaquemine yesterday, are being told to-day by the survivors who were brought here. One story makes James Givens the hero of the occasion. Givens was one of the crew. When the steamer touched the bank and bounded away, and Pilot Jollee left the wheel and sprang overboard, Givens quickly realized that the salvation of all on board depended upon the Hanna being brought back to the bank. At this time the pilot-house was surrounded by the flames. Nothing daunted, the brave fellow sprang to the wheel, brought the steamer's head again to the bank, and in order to keep her there locked the wheel in a proper position. While he was doing [illegible] over the pilot-house and he was imprisoned [illegible] which had already severely burned him. It was high time to think of his own life now that he had rendered possible the saving of scores of others. To escape was necessary to push through the walls of fire surrounding him. Givens made a dash for the side of the steamer and, although frightfully burned, succeeded in reaching it. Although a moving mass of fire he did not lose his presence of mind, but jumped into the river and struggled to the bank, where he was pulled out, cruelly burned and exhausted from his efforts. Givens now lies at the hospital in this city with his eyes burned out, and with several other severe injuries believed to be fatal. No man ever performed a more heroic act than that of Givens, and it is a matter of universal regret that his gallantry and humanity should have cost him so dear. The total loss of life by the burning of the Hanna is now placed at twenty-four.

Around the World.

London, Dec. 26.—The performance of Jule Verne's hero, who went around the world in eighty days, has been surpassed by an English post-card, which has just returned from its interesting travels. It was mailed by a gentleman October 10, to a friend in Hong Kong, by way of the United States and Yokohama, reached Hong Kong November 23, and was redirected to London by way of Brindisi. It was dispatched November 25, and reached the original owner Monday morning, within seventy-five days. The card only cost three half-pence.

The Floor Gave Way.

York, Pa., Dec. 26.—While a Christmas entertainment was being held last evening in the hall at East Prospect, this county, the building collapsed, and three hundred people were hurled with the broken timbers from the second to the first floor. To add to the terror of the situation the stove set fire to the ruins. A large number were badly bruised and cut, but fortunately there were no fatal casualties and only a few were seriously injured.

Attempt to Blow Up a House.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 26.—An attempt was made to blow up the house of Frank Heinman to-night. It was badly shattered and Mrs. Heinman somewhat burned. It is thought to have been an effort of confederates of Louis S. Schuster in counterfeiting several years ago, to kill him to keep him from making known their complicity with him. Mrs. Heinman is Schuster's adopted daughter, and he resides with her.

A Dying Mormon Pardoned.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The President has granted a pardon in the case of Bishop A. A. Kimball, convicted at the September term of the first district court of Utah, of adultery, and sentenced to eight months' imprisonment. The President's action in this case is based upon representations that the prisoner is in an advanced stage of consumption, and that he would not long survive in his present surroundings.

Youthful Forger Confesses.

Cincinnati, Dec. 26.—Charles C. Tinkler, the boy forger, has made a written confession of his crime. He implicates William D. Hopkins, a son of Ben Hopkins, in the transaction. Tinkler waived examination, and was bound over in sums aggregating $30,000. Young Hopkins is under arrest. His father has heard nothing of the affair, and it is feared that the news would be fatal to him.

Murdered by a Minister.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 26.—At a country church in Coffee County, this State, a few days since a man who was disturbing public worship was killed by the preacher in charge of the church. The names of the parties can not yet be learned. For some time trouble has existed in the church, one faction favoring the retention of the present pastor and the other favoring his dismissal.

A Conspiracy to Kill the Czar.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 26.—The second inquiry into the recent accident to the Czar's train at Borki resulted in attributing the disaster to a criminal conspiracy. All of the recently discharged railway employes will shortly be arrested.

Bank Teller Suicides.

Columbus, Ga., Dec. 26.—John Peabody, Jr., teller of the Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank, of this place, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself through the head. No cause for the deed is known. He was twenty-eight years of age, unmarried and a son of Hon. John Peabody. His accounts at the bank are absolutely correct.

Farmer Accidentally Shot.

Alma, Ark., Dec. 26.—George Keys, while carelessly handling a pistol, accidentally shot and killed Doc Chambers, a farmer.

Logan's Remains Removed.

Washington, Dec. 26.—General Logan's remains have been removed from the vault where they have been deposited for the past two years, under military guard, to the new chapel in the Soldiers' Home Cemetery in this city.

The Marblehead Fire.

Marblehead, Mass., Dec. 26.—It is estimated that $800,000 worth of property was destroyed by the fire here yesterday. One thousand men were thrown out of employment, and many families rendered homeless.

Workingmen Terribly Burned.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 26.—By an explosion at "Top Mill" this morning, caused by tap cinder coming in contact with water, Wm. Means and Henry Newhaus were badly burned about the head and body and Wm. Miles terribly burned on face and body and both eyes destroyed. He will probably die.

Mrs. Parsons Hires a Hall.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Lucy Parsons, the wife of the executed Anarchist, hired a hall for the purpose of delivering a lecture, but was prevented from using it by the police. It is claimed that her object was to provoke arrest.

TARIFF REFORM.

Banquet of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League.

A Brilliant Political Gathering—President Cleveland's Letter of Regret—Secretary Fairchild's Views on the Tariff.

THE BANQUET.

Boston, Dec. 29.—The annual banquet of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League which took place here at the Hotel Vendome last evening proved to be one of the most brilliant political gatherings of the season. The principal guest of the evening was Secretary of the Treasury Fairchild. Among the others were President Eliot, of Harvard, Colonel T. W. Higginson, Hon. P. A. Collins, Hon. John F. Andrew, Hon. Henry L. Pierce, Hon. George S. Hale, C. R. Codman, Hon. Leopold Morse, Jesse Metcalf, [illegible], Congressman Burnett, W. B. Rice and William Endicott. [illegible] Russell presided, and made a happy opening speech in which he said all that fell to him was to raise the curtain. He referred to those present who had come from positions of high trust in the nation, and said the gathering was not one of interested capitalists to rejoice over a political victory, but a gathering in the interests of the propagation of a great politic-economical reform. Referring to the election, he said there was a misfortune in the defeat of President Cleveland, a brave and honest man who refused to catch at votes when his country's good was at stake. President Cleveland's letter was then read as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, Dec 24.

Messrs. Sherman Hoar and others, committee:

Gentlemen—I am exceedingly sorry that I can not be present at the annual dinner of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League on the 28th inst. This is not merely a formal and common expression of regret. It truly indicates how much I should enjoy meeting the members of your League, and how glad I should be to express in person my appreciation of their important services in a cause to which I am earnestly attached, and to acknowledge at the same time their frequent and encouraging manifestations of personal friendliness. I know, too, that it would be profitable and advantageous to be even for a brief period within the inspiring influence of the atmosphere surrounding patriotic and unselfish men banded together in the interests of their fellow countrymen and devoted to the work of tariff reform. This reform appears to me to be as far reaching in its purposes as the destiny of our country, and as broad in its beneficence as the welfare of our entire people. It is because the efforts of its advocates are not discredited by any sordid motives that they are able boldly and confidently to attack the stronghold of selfishness and greed. Our institutions were constructed in purity of purpose and love for humanity. Their operation is adjusted to the touch of national virtue and patriotism, and their results, under such guidance, must be the prosperity and happiness of our people; and so long as the advocates of tariff reform appreciate the sentiments in which our institutions had their origin; so long as they apprehend the forces which alone can guide their operation; so long as they, in a spirit of true patriotism, are consecrated to the service of their country, temporary defeat brings no discouragement. It but proves the stubbornness of the forces of combined selfishness and discloses how far the people have been led astray and how great is the necessity of redoubled efforts in their behalf. To lose faith in the intelligence of the people is a surrender and an abandonment of the struggle. To arouse their intelligence and free it from darkness and delusion gives assurance of speedy and complete victory.

In the track of reform are often found the dead hopes of pioneers and the despair of those who fell in the march. But there will be neither despair nor dead hopes in the path of tariff reform; nor shall its pioneers fail to reach the heights. Holding fast their faith and rejecting every alluring overture, and every deceptive compromise which would betray their sacred trust, they themselves shall regain and restore the patrimony of their countrymen, freed from the trespass of grasping encroachment and safely secured by the genius of American justice and equality. Yours very truly,

GROVER CLEVELAND.

The applause following the reading of the letter having abated, President Cleveland's health was drunk standing. Another three cheers was given, and Mr. Russell then introduced Secretary Fairchild as a representative of the administration. Mr. Fairchild expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred by asking him to be the guest of the league and said that the last election had by no means decided the question of tariff and tariff reform. The struggle has only begun and the end is not yet. It is true the tariff should be settled and forever removed from the domain of politics, for it not only disturbs business, but, infinitely worse, it prevents the simple purpose of universal beneficence for which alone our Government is fitted; it converts our legislative halls into scenes of barter between conflicting interests, where wrangles over means to enable men to get more and still more money from our citizens becomes the chief characteristics of the peoples' representatives. It degrades business and often makes success therein the prize of dishonor; it corrupts the people, but how can this question be settled? We have but to provide that no articles which can be produced or made in this country shall be imported, or that they shall be subject to duty of say 1,000 per cent. ad valorem. This would settle the question and remove it from politics. This settlement, however, can only be had after the principle involved has been held naked before the people, has been fully considered and discussed by them and approved by an overwhelming majority.

The presiding officer then read a letter from Secretary Endicott regretting a necessary absence, and also one from Speaker Carlisle. After several other brief speeches and "three times three" for President Cleveland and tariff reform, the meeting broke up. There were about 235 present.

American Historical Association.

Washington, Dec. 29.—At the morning session of the American Historical Association Friday papers were read on "American trade regulations before 1789," by W. C. Fisher, of Cornell University; on the "History of internal improvements in Ohio," by Charles N. Morris, of Berkeley Divinity School; on the "Uses and limitations of historical museums," by Prof. Goode, of the Smithsonian Institute, and on "American archives," by Frederick A. Bancroft, Librarian of the State Department. At the night session William Wirt Henry, of Richmond, read a reply to Dr. Stille upon "Religious liberty in Virginia," and Clarence Winthrop Bowen read a paper on "The inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States." The following officers for the ensuing year were then elected: President, Charles K. Adams, of Cornell University; first vice-president, William Wirt Henry, of Richmond, Va.; treasurer, C. W. Bowen, secretary, Herbert B. Adams.

—Wife—"John, I do wish you would write to Edison and get a few of those electric light plants that I read of in the paper." John—"What would you do with them?" Wife—"I think it would be so nice to mix them with the other plants in the conservatory." John—"I'm afraid they wouldn't stand the temperature there."—*Yankee Blade.*

—One of the women wage-earners to whom a blank was sent by the Labor Bureau replied to the question, "Are you married, single or a widow?" as follows: "I have been married, but am now single. I am also a widow." She was divorced.—*Augusta (Me.) Journal.*

—Wife—"Shall I put your diamond studs in your shirt, dear?" Husband—"What on earth are you thinking of? Do you want to ruin me? I have a meeting with my creditors this morning."—*Jewelers' Weekly.*

—The gum box is a neat little box, with a carrying capacity of our [illegible].—*St. Joseph Gazette.*

THE COMMONWEALTH.

Frank Gates, a young lad of Lexington, was drowned in the Kentucky river at High Bridge the other morning.

The name of the post-office at Merino, Breckenridge County, has been changed to Irvington.

A post-office has been established at Arion, [illegible] County. Chas. B. Todd is the postmaster.

Gay's Creek, Perry County, is now a post-office town, with Jeremiah Morris as postmaster.

Johnson Hatfield, one of the notorious Hatfield gang, died the other day in Lawrence County.

Miss Mary Kennard, one of the victims of the railroad collision at Bardstown Junction on the 24th, died on the 26th. It was thought that she would certainly recover, but she took a sudden turn for the worse, and soon expired. She resided in Louisville.

A [illegible] on the Newport [illegible] near Scottsville Station, Christmas Eve, and so badly injured that he has since died.

Prof. William W. Richardson, a noted educator, died at Chester, Mason County, a few days ago.

Virgil, the little son of Prof. Stewart, of Alexandria, accidentally swallowed a horse-shoe nail, some days ago, which still remains in his stomach, and is causing his parents no small degree of anxiety.

William Phillips, a farmer residing in Caldwell County, has a ewe a year old, that has a horn several inches long that protrudes from the side of its nose, between the eye and mouth. The animal is healthy and otherwise well-formed.

C. A. Whit[illegible], brakeman, was killed by a train at Rae Coal Bin.

Engineer McFarran, who was hurt in the collision on the Louisville and Nashville railroad at Bardstown Junction, on the 24th, died on the 27th, at Louisville. His injuries were reported not fatal but an unfavorable turn in his symptoms soon became manifest.

John Jackson, of Millersburg, eighteen years of age, while celebrating Christmas, put half a pound of gunpowder in a hole in the ground and placed a coal of fire on top of it. As it did not blaze he got down to blow it with his mouth. He succeeded in blowing off his nose, both of his eyes out and part of the skull away. Strange to say, at last accounts he was still alive.

At Widow Nat Berry's farm, two miles from Lexington, on Tater creek pike, Dud Jackson and Dick Waters engaged in an altercation over the possession of an old shirt. Jackson commenced hostilities by hitting Waters in the head with a brick, whereupon the latter drew a pistol and shot Jackson through the bowels. Waters has been arrested. Jackson will die. Both men are colored.

At Baywick, on Christmas, John Abrey attempted to cut Thed K. Carter's throat, and succeeded in inflicting an ugly wound. W. Parker Fleece took up the difficulty in Carter's lave and armed himself with a shotgun, which renewed the trouble. Mrs. W. P. Fleece, a young and pretty woman, attempted to act as mediator, when the discharge from her husband's gun struck her in the breast and bowels and wounded her fatally.

John Janson, colored, was drunk and galloping his horse around Adairville, on Christmas, asking the boys to shoot Roman candles at him. This had been done several times, when he made the same request of B. I. Proctor. The latter was also drunk, and drawing a revolver, shot Johnson in the head, the victim soon dying. Tom Nicholes was killed by Lowry Threat at the same place on Christmas eve in a drunken quarrel. Both were negroes.

Green Morse, deputy sheriff of Caldwell County, shot himself in the breast by accident with a pistol he was drawing from his pocket, the other day, when a door suddenly blew shut, striking the weapon and causing it to go off. Lockjaw is feared and he can not possibly recover.

For the nineteen vacancies on the police force of Louisville there have been more than 800 applications for appointment made, notwithstanding the policeman's lot is not a happy one.

At Louisville, Harry Smart, convicted of the murder of Weisner Green and Belle Ward, has been sentenced to hang on February [illegible], 1889. His wife, Ollie Smart, is yet to be tried as accessory to the murder.

Lexington is about to lose its only park, the ground being claimed by the Kentucky University, the curators of which want to build houses to rent on it.

There was a nice harvest of Christmas casualties at Louisville. Lewis Haas, a colored boy nine years old, opened the ball. He had an old rusty pistol and brought it out to have fun. In attempting to cock the weapon his finger slipped and the bullet went through his heart. He died instantly. Young Hamilton, son of the councilman, had his hand nearly torn off by the explosion of a fire-cracker. Robert Gemau was accidentally shot in the thigh by John Bowers with a 32-caliber pistol. Robert Carrol sent a target rifle ball through his own foot. Fred Koontz, an elderly German, trampled on the feet of Jerry Berry, colored, and was stabbed in the face. Peter Gillian quarreled with Will Murphy, both about nineteen years old, and the former was shot in the groin. The wound is serious, but not fatal. Ben Benson, without meaning it, fired a bullet from his pistol into the calf of James Killion's leg. Both were drunk.

Near [illegible] and Hollow, Pulaski County, Mrs. [illegible] Stephens fatally cut Mrs. [illegible] who lived on the farm of the former's husband. The son and daughter of Mrs. Burchfield, coming to their mother's assistance, were also painfully injured.

Two colored prisoners confined in the jail at Paytor, made their escape, the other night, by setting fire to their cells.

[illegible] Lipe, son of A. Lipe, was shot at Liberty, in the stomach, the other night, while passing from the Hoskins' Hotel to Pierce Hotel, by some unknown party. Mr. Lipe lived several hours and stated on his death-bed that he thought he was shot accidentally, but could not tell who the party was, but there is strong evidence against one of the tough characters about town.

A collision between trains at Bardstown Junction occurred on the 24th. Mrs. Mary Perkins and Willie Houston, both living at Hodgenville, were killed outright, and a number of others painfully injured.

In [illegible] the year just closing 2,036 horses have been sold at auction in Kentucky for [illegible].

The residence of William Johnson, a farmer in the northern suburbs of Hopkinsville, was broken into by burglars the other night. The burglars effected an entrance by removing the kitchen window-sash. Entering the sleeping apartments, they took from the clothes of Mr. Johnson and his son, Lee Johnson, a young lawyer of that place, three pocket-books containing $18 and a large number of valuable papers. The burglars did their work skillfully, without disturbing the sleepers by their rummaging, and left unobserved.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

—Manufacturers of pure ground coffee will be interested to know that there is no duty on chicory or dandelion root.—*Texas Siftings.*

—While the modern husband has much to answer for, it can not be said against him that he ever goes through his wife's pocket.—*Boston Courier.*

—If anybody wants to test the folly of gambling let him take chances at a charity fair. The experience will be a good object-lesson.—*Baltimore American.*

—Elsie—"Bob, I wish you would tell me how a handkerchief flirtation is worked." Bob—"Easy and simple enough, sister—with two fools and two handkerchiefs."—*Town Topics.*

—If the granite bowlders that make the Falls of Niagara should ever wear away they can be replaced by the cheeks of Niagara hackmen and [illegible].—*[illegible]*

—"Will the coming man perspire?" asks an exchange. Not unless he is a dude. If he is an ordinary everyday citizen he will simply sweat.—*Burlington Free Press.*

—Wife—"What a lovely little bonnet! Who brought it up?" Husband—"A small boy, my dear." Wife—"Did he bring the bill?" Husband—"O, no; I guess they'll send that up on a hand-cart."—*Washington Post.*

—"George" writes to inquire what athletic game he had better cultivate in order to improve his appetite. Try draw poker, my boy. Stick to it, and you will be hungry most of the time.—*Terre Haute Express.*

—Young Doctor B. is run down with business. "You must earn a mint of money," said a friend to him one day. "Not at all; my patients don't pay." "No? But their heirs ought to stand something handsome."—*Judge.*

—Freshly—"Between you and me, Springley, Miss Rosalie is a charming girl. I'm really quite gone in that quarter." Springley—"O, you don't know how that will please her. She told me the other evening that when you called she always thought you would never go."—*Boston Post.*

—It is said that in eight cases out of ten if a man gets $50,000 all of a sudden he will either go cracked in the head or make a laughing stock of himself. That's doubtless the reason why Providence keeps $50,000 away from so many of us.—*Detroit Free Press.*

—Newspaper humorist (sarcastically to his best girl)—"People may sneer and laugh at my special line of work, but it brings in the dollars just the same." Best girl (reproachfully)—"I hope, Charley, you don't include me. I never think of laughing at your work."—*N. Y. Sun.*

—Impatient husband—"Where in the world have you been? I want my dinner." Wife—"Excuse me, John, but I ran down to the sewing society at five, and to my surprise it didn't wind up until eight." Husband—"You mean it was wound up at five and didn't run down until eight."—*Exchange.*

—Paterfamilias (at the supper-table to Mr. Thomas Catch, Susie's beau—"It is said that a Spaniard can live upon an onion and a few olives a day. It seems surprising to us, does it not?" —Susie's Little Brother—"Mr. Catch, I know what you live on." Mr. Catch—"What, Tommy?" Little Brother—"On your aunt; pa said so."—*Yankee Blade.*

—The Governor of Alaska, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior, states that the white population has greatly increased, and he estimates that there are 25,000 natives. The total population is 49,850, and of this number there are 6,500 whites, 1,900 creoles, and 2,950 Aleuts. He further states that the climate is favorable and the soil rich, and he sees no reason why Alaska should not soon take its place as a rival of Montana and Wyoming territories.

HOTELS IN JAPAN.

According to "Carp," They Are the Noisiest Places Outside of Bedlam.

A Japanese hotel is one of the noisiest places outside of Bedlam. The walls are of paper, and you can hear all the talk of your next-room neighbor. Many of these walls are pushed back at times, and as you pass through the corridors you see the various occupations of the guests. The sleeping, dressing and eating goes on before your eyes. The guests eat in their own rooms, and their food is served to them on little tables about a foot high. Each man has his own table, and in the cases of families each member squats on his heels or knees before one of these little tables, which is not over two feet square. Now chop-sticks are furnished to every guest. They come wrapped up in paper, and with these the guest can eat every thing from rice to fish. It is wonderful how well they separate the bones from the fish with them, and how they are able to pick up beans and peas between two sticks and eat them. The food is brought in in little bowls, and there are no plates, knives, forks or spoons. The rice comes last, and this is brought to the room in a wooden box hooped with brass and looking very much like an American sugar box. The Japanese eat very fast, and a man is considered lazy if he eats slowly. It is rather a compliment than otherwise to make a noise in eating, and the smacking of the lips shows the host that you appreciate his food. If you grunt and regurgitate, it will not be out of the way, and when you close your dinner with rice you will do well if you will pour your rice-bowl half full of tea and mix this with the rice. As you get near the bottom it will be the approved Japanese fashion to lift the rice-bowl to your lips and shovel the contents in with your chopsticks. You may eat as much rice as you please, and you will be expected at the close of the meal to carefully wrap up the dainties remaining and to drop them into the long pocket of the sleeves of your gown. You will find no sign in these Japanese hotels indicating that "food taken from the table will be charged extra for," and if you are dining with Japanese you will probably have from two to six geishas to keep you company.—*Frank G. Carpenter, in National Tribune.*

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CURRENT TOPICS.

JOHN WANAMAKER is worth $10,000,000.

IT costs the Servian people $240,000 a year to support King Milan.

DE LESSEPS wept when his Panama scheme became too heavy for his shoulders.

IT is said that ex-Empress Eugenie has expressed a desire to be cremated after death.

BALLOONS and parachutes have been sent to Suakim for the use of British troops.

VICTORIA WOODHULL has given $400,000 to a Paris school for the free education of women.

IT is reported that Russia and Japan have entered into a secret treaty against England.

THE total resources of the widow of the late Prof. Richard Proctor are stated to be only $700.

[illegible] patients afflicted [illegible]

IT is said the Australians are "catching on" to base-ball as played by the American nines.

THE richest woman in the world, Dona Isadora Cousino, of Chili, is coming to New York.

SOUTHBRIDGE, Mass., manufactured a million and a half pairs of spectacles the past year.

MR. HANNAGAN, of Newark, has petitioned the New Jersey Legislature to change his name.

SEVENTEEN of the twenty-five cities in Massachusetts voted in favor of license at the recent election.

QUEEN VICTORIA and her daughter, Empress Victoria of Germany, spend much time playing chess.

THE faculty of Dartmouth College has decided not to grant a scholarship to any person who smokes.

THE New York board of aldermen has passed an ordinance requiring vegetables to be sold by weight.

IT is unfortunately true that the leading ceremony of Christmas has taken the form of swapping of gifts.

WOMEN'S watches are now characterized by their smallness. Some of them scarcely bigger than the thumbnail.

WILLIAM II has no salary as Emperor of Germany, but his allowance as King of Prussia is $3,850,000 a year.

COUNT VON MOLTKE has at his home one of the finest flower gardens in the world. His favorite flower is the rose.

TEXAS doesn't take kindly to the proposition to carve her into several States. It breaks her all up, so to speak.

THE White Caps are seeking popularity. They have sent threatening notices to coal dealers who give short weight.

THIS is the season when the base-ball umpire lives in peace, and the managers confine their fighting to themselves.

LITTLE FANNIE LEVY, of New York, gets a verdict of $5,000 for injuries from a bobtail street-car. The bobtail must go.

ONE out of every five school children in Philadelphia is obliged to wear glasses, and the proportion is rapidly increasing.

FISH CREEK, W. T., claims to have the smallest living woman. She is 27 years old, 29 inches tall, and weighs 33 pounds.

THE granddaughter of Abraham Lincoln, the daughter of his son Robert, will make her entrance into "society" this winter.

A GERMAN patent has been issued for the preparation of wood fiber for spinning. Strong fabrics are made from this product.

THE young lady whom the Duke of Newcastle is about to wed is an English girl. For once the American girl has been outdone.

THE passion for green has brought the demand for emeralds up with a rush. Jewelers find the green stone remarkably popular.

A NEW YORK paper says the latest thing in women's purses has a cash and candy compartment. It should contain a third for chewing gum.

SIX European cities have advertised the speedy arrival in their midst of Mr. and Mrs. Grover Cleveland. Journalism is in a very bad way over there.

FIVE of the cadets of the Virginia military institute, at Lexington, have been dismissed for "hazing," and others are to be tried for the same offense.

MISS CAVANAGH, an Irish lady, is the governess of the King of Spain. She gets $3,500 a year salary, and will have a life pension, when her task is done, of $2,500.

IT is said that Saxony furnishes the largest percentage of suicides of any civilized State. The number last year was one to about every 3,000 of the population.

BOSTON CORBETT, who killed John Wilkes Booth, has escaped from the Kansas Insane Asylum, where he was confined, and at last accounts he was in Mexico.

BOLIVAR, the big elephant, was presented to the Philadelphia Zoo as a Christmas present by Adam Forepaugh, who says he is too much trouble to carry about the country.

THE American newspaper ones have tried to interview Lord Sackville, who is now in Paris, but he sends down word that he wants no communication with the American press.

NOTORIETY is worth as much as money in these times, and if [illegible] apt to bring money. [illegible] Tanner, the faster, is about to marry the daughter of a Peoria millionaire.

THIRTY thousand dollars is a pretty price to pay for a young gelding, but that is the figure at which the three-year-old Proctor Knott was sold to Mr. J. B. Haggin the other day.

ONE woman in New York makes money by conducting strangers to the shops where bargains can best be secured in any specified line of goods, and giving her customers the test of her shopping experience generally.

A NORWEGIAN minister said from the pulpit the other Sunday, that he would give $1.50 if the young men in the gallery would take seats down stairs. They came, and the money was paid.

THE new excise rules regulating the sale of liquor in New York provide severe penalties for selling to habitual drunkards, intoxicated persons, minors and Indians. Lo, the poor Indian again!

STATISTICS in Illinois show a considerable falling off of the rural population and a corresponding gain to Chicago. The trend of the population in many parts of the country is towards the great cities.

PRITCHETT, an Atlanta farmer, hung his coat on a fence while at work in the field, and a domestic animal coming along stuck his nose into the garment and found and chewed up three twenty-dollar bills. It is unnecessary to remark that the animal was a hog.

THE other day a couple of little girls went to a Canadian physician's office to be vaccinated. One of them undertook to speak for the other, and explained: "Doctor, this is my sister. She is too young to know her left arm from her right, so mamma washed both of them."

THE richest mine in the world is in Queensland, and the single owner of it has been offered $19,000,000 for his possessions.

THE BOAT CAPSIZED,

And Seven Persons Find Watery Graves.

Midnight Tragedy Near Ripley, O.—Nothing Left to Tell the Story.

RIPLEY, O., Dec. 30.—Residents of this place were horrified this morning by the news of an accident that occurred at midnight, just above here, by which seven persons were drowned. At that hour three men named Brooks, Mrs. Torrence and her little daughter, a daughter of George Lloyd, of this place, who is married and lived in Kentucky, and a man whose name could not be learned, all colored, started from the Kentucky shore in a little flat, to cross the river, just as a couple of steamers left our wharf. The flat, with such a heavy load, could make but little headway, and before they reached the shore the [illegible] was close to [illegible] into the swift current of the river, and they sank beneath the waves and were drowned before any assistance could be rendered. The cries were heart-rending, but in the darkness it was impossible to save them. Their friends gathered at the river to-day and searched for their bodies, but so far without success, a cap, supposed to belong to one of the men, which was lodged against the Kentucky shore, being all that could be found. Most of the unfortunate party lived in Kentucky.

THE COVETED LAND.

Pawnee Bell Will Give His Army of Boomers the Signal to Rush In to Oklahoma on February 1.

WICHITA, KAN., Dec. 30.—An enthusiastic meeting of Oklahoma boomers from towns of Southern Kansas was held here yesterday at the headquarters of Pawnee Bell. It was decided to start February 1, as by that time it would be known what action Congress would take on the Springer bill. An address to the Government and people as to their plans and purposes was ordered published. Pawnee Bell produced five thousand letters of inquiry from all over the United States and said that the companies now have enrolled over fifteen thousand people, who will be able to move at the date named. Their agent in Oklahoma was present and said that thousands of people were camped along the line awaiting orders to advance. A squad of soldiers are now just outside of Oklahoma City, and K Troop, Fifth Cavalry, will be ordered there Monday. Many of the squatters have put their houses upon wheels and moved them upon choice lands of the country. Heavy great efforts will be made by the soldiers to drive back intruders. Pawnee Bell will have charge of the northern colonies, and trustworthy captains of the eastern and southern colonies. All will meet at Oklahoma City and proceed upon the country in a body. Advices yesterday from the Territory are that an engagement took place yesterday between a party of Texas settlers and scouts of cattlemen. Five of the former and four of the latter were injured, but the boomers were not stopped.

BLASTING POWDER EXPLODES

Burning Four Houses and Injuring Seven Men, One of Whom Will Die.

EVANSON, PA., Dec. 30.—About [illegible] this evening flames broke out in Brown Row, belonging to H. C. Frick Coke Company, and four houses were destroyed. The fire was caused by the explosion of ten kegs of blasting powder. The house in which the explosion occurred was occupied by Poles. They were preparing powder for their work in the mines tomorrow, when a spark from a pipe ignited the stuff. There was a terrific explosion and seven of the men were frightfully burned. One of them will die. The names of the injured are Joseph C[illegible], Bula Plosmon, Joseph Verostic, St[illegible], Mike Colwell, Andrew L[illegible] and John [illegible]. Buloar is the most seriously injured, the flesh being almost totally burned off his legs, arms and back. It is supposed he was standing between the kegs when the explosion occurred. Joseph Chranchick's feet were almost blown off, and amputation will probably be necessary. The others were burned principally about the hands and arms, but, with the exception of [illegible], their injuries are not serious.

Ex-Senator Mordecai Dead.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 31.—[illegible] Mordecai died to-day of [illegible] of the heart, aged eighty-five years. He was a native of South Carolina, and represented that State in the United States Senate for two terms preceding the rebellion.

Bald Knobbers Escape.

OZARK, MO., Dec. 30.—Two of the condemned Bald Knobbers and five train-robbers escaped from jail here. Unknown persons from the outside cut through the brick wall of the prison, unlocked the corridor and cells, and released the prisoners.

"Mamma Will Never See Me Again."

WATERBURY, CT., Dec. 30.—Carrie [illegible]kel, of Thomaston, aged sixteen, on being scolded for going skating, left home yesterday, saying to a young sister, "Mamma will never see me again," and has not been seen [illegible]. [illegible] villages are being searched.

Family Poisoned.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Dec. 31.—The family of Ira Warford, who lives at St. Elmo, one of the suburbs of Chattanooga, was poisoned to-day by eating head cheese. It is not known whether the cheese was poisoned, or whether the poison came from a brass kettle in which the cheese was cooked. Warford is dying condition to-night, and his wife is in a very serious condition. The two children will both recover.

—A farmer had a son who showed no special aptitude for business, and he was puzzled what to do with him. He concluded to try an experiment, so he locked the boy in a room in which there were only a Bible, an apple and a dollar. A few minutes later he stole quietly to the room. He had made up his mind that if he found the boy eating the apple he would make a good farmer. If he were reading the Bible he should be trained for the pulpit, and if he had taken the money his success as a broker, his father thought, was assured. Upon entering the room he found the boy sitting upon the Bible, eating the apple with the dollar in his pocket. The boy became an able politician.

—The dear children were playing at horse railroad. Tommy suddenly exclaimed: "Look here! we've forgotten something. We can't go on unless we buy up an alderman."—*N. Y. Ledger.*

—The fact that it is not now regarded as good form to exhibit wedding presents takes away from the pleasure of giving.—*Boston Traveler.*

GREEN-LOOKING,

But His Goods Were First-Class—Dangerous Counterfeit Coins Found on a Countryman in Cleveland, O.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 28.—The other day the police arrested a verdant-appearing chap who was attempting to sell counterfeit silver dollars to two colored men. He gave his name as William Johnson, and the large number of coins which were found in his possession were so finely counterfeited that it was impossible to distinguish them from genuine silver dollars. They weighed a trifle less than good coins, but their composition is still a mystery to the Government officers. A member of the United States Secret Service has just returned from Lorain County, where he went to investigate Johnson's record. Said he to-night: "I was in the village of Brownhelm, where I found a pale and sickly woman living in a little house, poorly furnished, and all the surroundings bearing evidence of abject poverty. This woman is the wife of Wm. E. Wetherlow, alias Wm. Johnson, the bogus coin shover. Mrs. Wetherlow bears a good name in the community where she lives, but her husband, who earns a scanty living during the summer season by common labor among the farmers there, bears a by no means good reputation. When I told the wife of her husband's arrest she burst into a flood of tears, saying that he had been absent from home recently several days at a time, but she did not know where he was or what was his business. She said, also, that he never treated her unkindly, although he drank sometimes. I searched the house and premises, but did not find any bogus coin, and I am satisfied the wife knows nothing about the business Wetherlow is engaged in, nor do I think he made the stuff he was selling." The opinion prevails that an expert counterfeiter is at work in this vicinity.

A PHENOMENON.

Steam and Heat Issuing From the Crevices in the Rocky Mountains, and Emitting a Sulphurous Smell.

CHAMBERLAIN, DAK., Dec. 28.—There is no doubt that the great phenomenon in Charles Mix County is not caused by burning coal alone. There is a great volume of steam constantly issuing from the crevices accompanied by a strong sulphurous odor, and a light-colored smoke. The earth for sixty feet about is warm. It is also phosphorescent, and can be seen at night for many miles. At frequent intervals a deep rumbling sound is heard for a long distance. The phenomenon is situated on that portion of the Randall military reservation which was lately thrown open to settlement.

A Human Fiend's End.

PARIS, Dec. 28.—Prado, thief, bel[illegible] phone, human fiend incarnate on his own boastful admissions, died on the guillotine for the murder of Marie Aguetant, cocotte. The death was witnessed by two hundred artists, newspaper men, actors, lawyers and politicians who possessed influence sufficient to obtain admission within the sentry lines to the Place de la Roquette. Prado died with much the same bravado as Pranzini, his former chum and counterpart. The scene was much more orderly, and not the slightest mishap occurred in the work of M. Deibler. In fifty seconds from his appearance at the prison gate his bleeding head lay in the basket.

Frisco Has a Democratic Mayor.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—The recount of votes cast for mayor in the last election was concluded last evening. At the close of the recount Judge Finn, of the Superior Court, declared E. B. Pond (Democrat) legally elected mayor. C. C. O'Donnell, Independent candidate for mayor and the man who had demanded the recount, made a total net gain of 309 votes, but not enough to elect him over Pond.

Splinter and Darning-Needle.

COLFAX, IND., Dec. 28.—Mrs. Thos. Patras, a wealthy widow of this city, ran a splinter in her hand several days ago and picked it out with a darning-needle. She caught cold in the wound, resulting in erysipelas, spreading over her entire body, causing death to-day under most excruciating circumstances. She was sixty-five years old.

Broke His Promise to a Dead Wife.

PRINCETON, IND., Dec. 28.—Miles Jobson, a wealthy widower of this place, who was married on Christmas Day, hanged himself last night. He left a note saying that he had broken his promise not to marry again, given to his first wife on her death-bed, and that he could not endure the reproach of his conscience.

A Professor Drowned.

LEONARDTOWN, MD., Dec. 28.—Prof. Paul Combs, a member of the faculty of the Maryland Agricultural College, was drowned yesterday while ducking at Brenton's Bay, near here. His mother saw the accident from the shore, but having fainted, failed to render any assistance.

Too Tough for Liquor.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA., Dec. 28.—The board of aldermen to-night decided to refuse to license the sale of liquor in Buzzard Roost, Pigeon Roost and Scratch Ankle, the notorious resorts of this city where so much crime is committed. All the dance-halls and low dives will be broken up.

Hanged for Wife-Murder.

WINNIPEG, MAN., Dec. 28.—Walsh Brandon, the wife-murderer, was hanged this morning. He displayed great fortitude on the scaffold. The parting between Brandon and his three children was affecting in the extreme. Brandon killed his wife while drunk.

Confesses on the Scaffold.

BASTROP, LA., Dec. 28.—"Pet" Overton, who was convicted in September last for the murder of Frank Hearsey, on April 17, was hanged here to-day. He confessed his guilt. A woman was the cause of the trouble.

Slain by a Shell.

ROME, Dec. 28.—A shell burst in a powder magazine at Messina, Sicily, this morning, killing sixteen soldiers and injuring many others.

A Youthful Patricide.

LITTLE ROCK, ARK., Dec. 28.—News reached here this morning of the fatal stabbing of Dr. Holleman, a leading physician of Craighead County, by his son, aged fifteen. It appears Holleman was trying to chastise the boy when the latter drew a knife and stabbed his father in the heart.

Two Women Killed by Cars.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Martin and Miss Kate Powers failed to notice the approach of a city-bound passenger train as they were crossing the Rock Island tracks, near Forty-seventh street, this afternoon. The two were struck by the engine and thrown fifty feet. Both were killed instantly.

Saved by His Daughter's Shot.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 28.—Peter Morris, residing near Jellico, attempted Wednesday to kill an old man named Higdon, near Cumberland Gap. Higdon's daughter Martha interfered, and fatally shot Morris.

SAVED BY A DOG.

Terrible Struggle With Two Burglars.

An Omaha Saloon-Keeper Shot and Almost Beaten to Death.

OMAHA, NEB., Dec. 27.—Christ Kalmbach, who runs a saloon in the suburbs, had a remarkable tussle with two burglars who tried to rob him last night. Just as he was about to close up a man entered and asked for a deck of cards. Kalmbach refused to let him have them, as it was too late. The stranger then thrust a revolver in his face and told him to throw up his hands. "Yes I will," said Kalmbach, and seized the intruder. The latter fired, the ball striking Kalmbach in the forehead above the left eye. Although the powder almost blinded him, and the blood was pouring over his face, Kalmbach seized the man by the throat and a fierce struggle ensued. He had thrown his assailant on the floor when he was surprised by the entrance of another man, who began hitting him over the head with a revolver, cutting the scalp frightfully at every blow. Kalmbach's dog, which heard the scuffle in another room, here entered and proceeded to devour villain No. 1, while Kalmbach devoted his attention to villain No. 2. He finally succeeded in throwing him through a window, while the other man broke loose from the dog and joined in the flight of his partner. Kalmbach then staggered to the house of a neighbor, who sent for a doctor. The ball was extracted about an inch from the point of entrance and an eighth of an inch above the temple. He had fourteen ugly scalp wounds. Hopes are entertained for his recovery, although his condition is very critical. His assailants have not been arrested.

FIENDISH TORTURE.

Woman Twists Cords About a Child's Limbs and Tongue Until She Becomes Unconscious From Pain.

DETROIT, MICH., Dec. 27.—A revolting case of brutality is reported at Reed City, Mich. Mrs. Swarthout, a photographer, has been arrested for maltreating her niece. She is charged with having tied the girl's legs with a stout cord and then putting in a stick and turning the cord until the child would become almost unconscious with pain. She would also cord her tongue in the same manner until the skin bursted. Mrs. Swarthout has been bound over to the next term of court, and in default of $1,000 bail languishes in jail.

Spurious Coin Makers.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—Three counterfeiters were captured by United States officers this evening in their den, in Brooklyn, while engaged in their work of making counterfeit silver dollars. The men are Wm. Green, sixty-five years, of 14 Henry street, this city; Patrick Kenny, forty-five years, of 37 Bowery, this city, and Timothy Cassidy, forty years, of 50 Pearl street, Brooklyn. At the last place they were found at work behind barred doors. A complete outfit of counterfeiting implements surrounded them.

Attacked by an Eagle.

BRIDGEPORT, CT., Dec. 27.—Fred B. Hubbard, a druggist, of this city, had a battle with an eagle last night, and after a severe struggle captured it. Hubbard was walking out at the West End when suddenly he was almost knocked down by a huge eagle, which alighted on his shoulder and buried its talons in his flesh. He grabbed the bird, which then fastened its huge beak in his hand, inflicting a severe wound. After a lively tussle the bird was overcome. Hubbard has three bad wounds and a live eagle.

Has Been Going on for Years.

BISMARCK, DAK., Dec. 27.—The examination of James Curren, the man arrested on the charge of smuggling opium from Canada into the United States, closed last night. Curren was held. He pleaded innocence of the nature of the packages which he transported across the border. It is believed here that the Curren examination will lead to the exposure of many wealthy men who have been in the business of smuggling over the line into Dakota for years.

New Coast Defense Vessel.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The plans for the contemplated new coast defense vessel are now ready, and are waiting at the navy department the inspection of prospective bidders for the contract. This vessel will cost the Government about $2,000,000, of which $1,700,000 will be paid to contractors, the balance being expended by the Government itself in preparing the armor of the ship.

Gambling Debt Not Valid.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 27.—John F. Moulton, a prominent Buffalo man who died a few years ago, gave a note for $300 to cover part of a gaming debt of $5,535 he owed John Daly, of New York. In the Supreme Court to-day Referee George Gorham decided that Wm. S. Hollingshead could not recover the value of this note in a suit brought against Mr. Moulton's widow.

Maimed by a Cannon's Discharge.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Dec. 27.—By the premature discharge of a brass cannon this afternoon at Greenville Horace Brumley lost both eyes, Ed Lemeus lost an eye and had his skull crushed, and Will Mahona was frightfully burned and maimed for life.

British Troops Leave Suakim.

SUAKIM, Dec. 27.—The Scottish Borderers have sailed for Suez. It is reported that Osman Digna is trying to collect forces at Handoub. The British war sloop Racer, under special orders, has sailed on a cruise.

Party Dispersed by Dynamite.

HARRISONBURG, VA., Dec. 27.—Last night a house in the eastern part of this county, in which a number of colored people were holding a party, was blown up by dynamite, and several of the inmates, it is said, fatally wounded.

Divorced Couple Reunited.

MARTINSBURG, W. VA., Dec. 27.—Dr. Geo. A. Hamill was married to his former wife at Chambersburg, Penn., at midnight last night. They had been divorced about one year. Two policemen acted as witnesses.

"Jack the Ripper."

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Brussels has been thrown into a ferment of excitement by the reception by prominent people of cards and telegrams announcing the advent in the quaint old city of the famous "Jack the Ripper," of Whitechapel notoriety. King Leopold, the Prefect of Police and the Court Ministers are among the recipients of this mysterious being's delicate attentions.

Lost in a Snow-Storm.

SENECA, KAN., Dec. 27.—John T. Yates, ex-justice of the peace, perished in the snow-storm Christmas night on his way home in a buggy.

HERO OF THE HANNA.

Brave Act of James Givens, Which Saved Many Lives, but Will Probably Cost His Own.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 26.—The story of many acts of heroism on the part of the crew of the steamer John H. Hanna, which was burned near Plaquemine yesterday, are being told to-day by the survivors who were brought here. One story makes James Givens the hero of the occasion. Givens was one of the crew. When the steamer touched the bank and bounded away, and Pilot Jolles left the wheel and sprang overboard, Givens quickly realized that the salvation of all on board depended upon the Hanna being brought back to the bank. At this time the pilot-house was surrounded by the flames. Nothing daunted, the brave fellow sprang to the wheel, brought the steamer's head again to the bank, and in order to keep her there locked the wheel in a proper position. While he was doing [illegible] over the pilot-house [illegible] which had already severely burned him. It was high time to think of his own life now that he had rendered possible the saving of scores of others. To escape was necessary to push through the walls of fire surrounding him. Givens made a dash for the side of the steamer and, although frightfully burned, succeeded in reaching it. Although a moving mast of fire he did not lose his presence of mind, but jumped into the river and struggled to the bank, where he was pulled out, cruelly burned and exhausted from his efforts. Givens now lies at the hospital in this city with his eyes burned out, and with several other severe injuries believed to be fatal. No man ever performed a more heroic act than that of Givens, and it is a matter of universal regret that his gallantry and humanity should have cost him so dear. The total loss of life by the burning of the Hanna is now placed at twenty-four.

Around the World.

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The performance of Jules Verne's hero, who went around the world in eighty days, has been surpassed by an English post-card, which has just returned from its interesting travels. It was mailed by a gentleman October 10, to a friend in Hong Kong, by way of the United States and Yokohama, reached Hong Kong November 23, and was redirected to London by way of Brindisi. It was dispatched November 25, and reached the original owner Monday morning, within seventy-five days. The card only cost three half-pence.

The Floor Gave Way.

YOAA, PA., Dec. 26.—While a Christmas entertainment was being held last evening in the hall at East Prospect, this county, the building collapsed, and three hundred people were buried with the broken timbers from the second to the first floor. To add to the terror of the situation the stove set fire to the ruins. A large number were badly bruised and cut, but fortunately there were no fatal casualties and only a few were seriously injured.

Attempt to Blow Up a House.

ROSCOE, N. Y., Dec. 26.—An attempt was made to blow up the house of Frank Heinman to-night. It was badly shattered and Mrs. Heinman somewhat burned. It is thought to have been an effort of confederates of Louis S. Schuster in counterfeiting several years ago, to kill him to keep him from making known their complicity with him. Mrs. Heinman is Schuster's adopted daughter, and he resides with her.

A Dying Mormon Pardoned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The President has granted a pardon in the case of Bishop A. A. Kimball, convicted at the September term of the first district court of Utah, of adultery, and sentenced to eight months' imprisonment. The President's action in this case is based upon representations that the prisoner is in an advanced stage of consumption, and that he would not long survive in his present surroundings.

Youthful Forger Confesses.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 26.—Charles C. Tinkler, the boy forger, has made a written confession of his crime. He implicates William O. Hopkins, a son of Ben Hopkins, in the transaction. Tinkler waived examination, and was bound over in sums aggregating $30,000. Young Hopkins is under arrest. His father has heard nothing of the affair, and it is feared that the news would be fatal to him.

Murdered by a Minister.

MACON, GA., Dec. 26.—At a country church in Coffee County, this State, a few days since a man who was disturbing public worship was killed by the preacher in charge of the church. The names of the parties can not yet be learned. For some time trouble has existed in the church, one faction favoring the retention of the present pastor and the other favoring his dismissal.

A Conspiracy to Kill the Czar.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 26.—The second inquiry into the recent accident to the Czar's train at Borki resulted in attributing the disaster to a criminal conspiracy. All of the recently discharged railway employes will shortly be arrested.

Bank Teller Suicides.

COLUMBUS, GA., Dec. 26.—John Peabody, Jr., teller of the Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank, of this place, committed suicide to-day by shooting himself through the head. No cause for the deed is known. He was twenty-eight years of age, unmarried and a son of Hon. John Peabody. His accounts at the bank are absolutely correct.

Farmer Accidentally Shot.

ALMA, ARK., Dec. 26.—George Keys, while carelessly handling a pistol, accidentally shot and killed Doc Chambers, a farmer.

Logan's Remains Removed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—General Logan's remains have been removed from the vault where they have been deposited for the past two years, under military guard, to the new chapel in the Soldiers' Home Cemetery in this city.

The Marblehead Fire.

MARBLEHEAD, MASS., Dec. 26.—It is estimated that $800,000 worth of property was destroyed by the fire here yesterday. One thousand men were thrown out of employment, and many families rendered homeless.

Workingmen Terribly Burned.

WHEELING, W. VA., Dec. 26.—By an explosion at "Top Mill" this morning, caused by tap cinder coming in contact with water, Wm. Means and Henry Newhaus were badly burned about the head and body and Wm. Miles terribly burned on face and body and both eyes destroyed. He will probably die.

Mrs. Parsons Hires a Hall.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—Mrs. Lucy Parsons, the wife of the executed Anarchist, hired a hall for the purpose of delivering a lecture, but was prevented from using it by the police. It is claimed that her object was to provoke arrest.

TARIFF REFORM.

Banquet of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League.

A Brilliant Political Gathering—President Cleveland's Letter of Regret—Secretary Fairchild's Views on the Tariff.

THE BANQUET.

BOSTON, Dec. 29.—The annual banquet of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League which took place here at the Hotel Vendome last evening proved to be one of the most brilliant political gatherings of the season. The principal guest of the evening was Secretary of the Treasury Fairchild. Among the others were President Eliot, of Harvard, Colonel T. W. Higginson, Hon. P. A. Collins, Hon. John F. Andrew, Hon. Henry L. Pierce, Hon. George S. Hale, C. R. Codman, Hon. Leopold Morse, Jesse Metcalf, [illegible], Congressman Burnett, W. B. Rice and William Endicott. [illegible] Russell presided, and made a happy opening speech in which he said all that fell to him was to raise the curtain. He referred to those present who had come from positions of high trust in the nation, and said the gathering was not one of interested capitalists to rejoice over a political victory, but a gathering in the interests of the propagation of a great politic-economical reform. Referring to the election, he said there was a misfortune in the defeat of President Cleveland, a brave and honest man who refused to catch at votes when his country's good was at stake. President Cleveland's letter was then read as follows:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, Dec 24.

Messrs. Sherman Hoar and others, committee:
GENTLEMEN—I am exceedingly sorry that I can not be present at the annual dinner of the Massachusetts Tariff Reform League on the 28th inst. This is not merely a formal and common expression of regret. It truly indicates how much I should enjoy meeting the members of your League, and how glad I should be to express in person my appreciation of their important services in a cause to which I am earnestly attached, and to acknowledge at the same time their frequent and encouraging manifestations of personal friendliness. I know, too, that it would be profitable and advantageous to be even for a brief period within the inspiring influence of the atmosphere surrounding patriotic and unselfish men banded together in the interests of their fellow countrymen and devoted to the work of tariff reform. This reform appears to me to be as far reaching in its purpose as the destiny of our country, and as broad in its beneficence as the welfare of our entire people. It is because the efforts of its advocates are not discredited by any sordid motives that they are able, boldly and confidently, to attack the stronghold of selfishness and greed. Our institutions were constructed in purity of purpose and love for humanity. Their operation is adjusted to the touch of national virtue and patriotism, and their results, under such guidance, must be the prosperity and happiness of our people, and so long as the advocates of tariff reform appreciate the sentiments in which our institutions had their origin; so long as they apprehend the forces which alone can guide their operation; so long as they, in a spirit of true patriotism, are consecrated to the service of their country, temporary defeat brings no discouragement. It but proves the stubbornness of the forces of combined selfishness and discloses how far the people have been led astray and how great is the necessity of redoubled efforts in their behalf. To lose faith in the intelligence of the people is a surrender and an abandonment of the struggle. To arouse their intelligence and free it from darkness and delusion gives assurance of speedy and complete victory.

In the track of reform are often found the dead hopes of pioneers and the despair of those who fell in the march. But there will be neither despair nor dead hopes in the path of tariff reform; nor shall its pioneers fail to reach the heights. Holding fast their faith and rejecting every alluring overture, and every deceptive compromise which would betray their sacred trust, they themselves shall regain and restore the patrimony of their countrymen, freed from the trespass of grasping encroachment and safely secured by the genius of American justice and equality. Yours very truly,
GROVER CLEVELAND.

The applause following the reading of the letter having abated, President Cleveland's health was drunk standing. Another three cheers was given, and Mr. Russell then introduced Secretary Fairchild as a representative of the administration. Mr. Fairchild expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred by asking him to be the guest of the league and said that the last election had by no means decided the question of tariff and tariff reform. The struggle has only begun and the end is not yet. It is true the tariff should be settled and forever removed from the domain of politics, for it not only disturbs business, but, infinitely worse, it prevents the simple purpose of universal beneficence for which alone our Government is fitted; it converts our legislative halls into scenes of barter between conflicting interests, where wrangles over means to enable men to get more and still more money from our citizens becomes the chief characteristics of the peoples' representatives. It degrades business and often makes success therein the prize of dishonor; it corrupts the people, but how can this question be settled? We have but to provide that no articles which can be produced or made in this country shall be imported, or that they shall be subject to duty of say 1,000 per cent. ad valorem. This would settle the question and remove it from politics. This settlement, however, can only be had after the principle involved has been held naked before the people, has been fully considered and discussed by them and approved by an overwhelming majority.

The presiding officer then read a letter from Secretary Endicott regretting a necessary absence, and also one from Speaker Carlisle. After several other brief speeches and "three times three" for President Cleveland and tariff reform, the meeting broke up. There were about 225 present.

American Historical Association.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—At the morning session of the American Historical Association Friday papers were read on "American trade regulations before 1789," by W. C. Fisher, of Cornell University; on the "History of internal improvements in Ohio," by Charles N. Morris, of Berkeley Divinity School; on the "Uses and limitations of historical museums" by Prof. Goode, of the Smithsonian Institute, and on "American archives," by Frederick A. Bancroft, Librarian of the State Department. At the night session William Wirt Henry, of Richmond, read a reply to Dr. Stille upon "Religious liberty in Virginia," and Clarence Winthrop Bowen read a paper on "The inauguration of George Washington as President of the United States." The following officers for the ensuing year were then elected: President, Charles K. Adams, of Cornell University; first vice-president, William Wirt Henry, of Richmond, Va.; treasurer C. W. Bowen; secretary, Herbert B. Adams.

—Wife—"John, I do wish you would write to Edison and get a few of those electric light plants that I read of in the paper." John—"What would you do with them?" Wife—"I think it would be so nice to mix them with the other plants in the conservatory." John—"I'm afraid they wouldn't stand the temperature there."—*Yankee Blade.*

—One of the women wage-earners to whom a blank was sent by the Labor Bureau replied to the question, "Are you married, single or a widow?" as follows: "I have been married, but am now single. I am also a widow. She was divorced."—*Augusta (Me.) Journal.*

—Wife—"Shall I put your diamond studs in your shirt, dear?" Husband—"What on earth are you thinking of? Do you want to ruin me? I have a meeting with my creditors this morning."—*Jewelers Weekly.*

—The gum box is a neat little box, with a carrying capacity of one gallon.—*St. Joseph Gazette.*

THE COMMONWEALTH.

FRANK GREEN, a young lad of Lexington, was drowned in the Kentucky river at High Bridge the other morning.

THE name of the post-office at Merino, Breckenridge County, has been changed to Irvington.

A POST-OFFICE has been established at Arlen, [illegible] County. Chas. B. Todd is the postmaster.

GAY'S CREEK, Perry County, is now a post-office town, with Jeremiah Morris as postmaster.

JOHNSON HATFIELD, one of the notorious Hatfield gang, died the other day in Lawrence County.

MISS MARY KENNARD, one of the victims of the railroad collision at Bardstown Junction on the 24th, died on the 26th. It was [illegible] that she would certainly recover, [illegible] she took a sudden turn for the worse, [illegible] expired. She resided in Louisville.

A MAN [illegible] Maley was run over by a train [illegible] on the Newport News [illegible] near Scottsville Station, Christmas Eve, and so badly injured that he has since died.

PROF. WILLIAM W. RICHARDSON, a noted educator, died at Chester, Mason County, a few days ago.

VIRGIL, the little son of Prof. Stewart, of Alexandria, accidentally swallowed a horse-shoe nail, some days ago, which still remains in his stomach, and is causing his parents no small degree of anxiety.

WILLIAM FALLEUS, a farmer residing in Caldwell County, has a ewe a year old, that has a horn several inches long that protrudes from the side of its nose, between the eye and mouth. The animal is healthy and otherwise well-formed.

C. A. WRIT, brakeman, was killed by a train at Ras-Coal Bin.

ENGINEER MCFERRAN, who was hurt in the collision on the Louisville and Nashville railroad at Bardstown Junction, on the 24th, died on the 27th, at Louisville. His injuries were reported not fatal but an unfavorable turn in his symptoms soon became manifest.

JOHN JACKSON, of Millersburg, eighteen years of age, while celebrating Christmas, put half a pound of gunpowder in a hole in the ground and placed a coal of fire on top of it. As it did not blaze he got down to blow it with his mouth. He succeeded in blowing off his nose, both of his eyes out and part of the skull away. Strange to say, at last accounts he was still alive.

AT Widow Nat Berry's farm, two miles from Lexington, on Tates creek pike, Dud Jackson and Dick Waters engaged in an altercation over the possession of an old shirt. Jackson commenced hostilities by hitting Waters in the head with a brick, whereupon the latter drew a pistol and shot Jackson through the bowels. Waters has been arrested. Jackson will die. Both men are colored.

AT Baywte, on Christmas, John Abrey attempted to cut Thad K. Carter's throat, and succeeded in inflicting an ugly wound. W. Parker Fleece took up the difficulty in Carter's favor and armed himself with a shotgun, which renewed the trouble. Mrs. W. P. Fleece, a young and pretty woman, attempted to act as mediator, when the discharge from her husband's gun struck her in the breast and bowels and wounded her fatally.

JOHN JOHNSON, colored, was drunk and galloping his horse around Adairville, on Christmas asking the boys to shoot Roman candles at him. This had been done several times when he made the same request of Bill Proctor. The latter was also drunk, and drawing a revolver, shot Johnson in the head, the victim soon dying. Tom Nicholas was killed by Lowry Threat at the same place on Christmas eve in a drunken quarrel. Both were negroes.

GAREN MORSE, deputy sheriff of Caldwell County, shot himself in the breast by accident with a pistol he was drawing from his pocket, the other day, when a door suddenly blew shut, striking the weapon and causing it to go off. Lockjaw is feared and he can not possibly recover.

FOR the nineteen vacancies on the police force of Louisville there have been more than 800 applications for appointment made, notwithstanding the policeman's lot is not a happy one.

AT Louisville, Harry Smart, convicted of the murder of Weisner Green and Belle Ward, has been sentenced to hang on February [illegible], 1889. His wife, Tillie Smart, is yet to be tried as accessory to the murder.

LEXINGTON is about to lose its only park, the ground being claimed by the Kentucky University, the curators of which want to build houses to rent on it.

THERE was a nice harvest of Christmas casualties at Louisville. Lewis Haas, a colored boy nine years old, opened the ball. He had an old rusty pistol and brought it out to have fun. In attempting to cock the weapon his finger slipped and the bullet went through his heart. He died instantly. Young Hamilton, son of the counselman, had his hand nearly torn off by the explosion of a fire-cracker. Robert [illegible] was accidentally shot in the thigh by John Bowers with a 32-caliber pistol. Robert Carrol sent a target rifle ball through his own foot. Fred Koontz, an elderly German, trampled on the feet of Jerry Berry, colored, and was struck in the face. Peter Gillian quarreled with Will Murphy, both about nineteen years old, and the former was shot in the groin. The wound is serious, but not fatal. Ben Benson, without meaning it, fired a bullet from his pistol into the calf of James Killten's leg. Both were drunk.

NEAR [illegible]und Hollow, Pulaski County, Mrs. [illegible] Stephens fatally cut Mrs. Burchfield who lived on the farm of the former's husband. The son and daughter of Mrs. Burchfield, coming to their mother's assistance, were also painfully injured.

THE colored prisoners confined in the jail at Dayton, made their escape, the other night, by setting fire to their cells.

CHARLES LIPE, son of A. Lipe, was shot at Liberty, in the stomach, the other night, while passing from the Hoskins' Hotel to Pierce Hotel, by some unknown party. Mr. Lipe lived several hours and stated on his death-bed that he thought he was shot accidentally, but could not tell who the party was, but there is strong evidence against one of the tough characters about town.

A COLLISION between trains at Bardstown Junction occurred on the 24th. Mrs. Mary Perkins and Willie Houston, both [illegible] of Hodgenville, were killed outright, and a number of others painfully injured.

DURING the year just closing 2,030 horses have been sold at auction in Kentucky for [illegible].

THE residence of William Johnson, a farmer in the northern suburbs of Hopkinsville, was broken into by burglars the other night. The burglars effected an entrance by removing the kitchen window-sash. Entering the sleeping apartments, they took from the clothes of Mr. Johnson and his son, Lee Johnson, a young lawyer of that place, three pocket-books containing $15 and a large number of valuable papers. The burglars did their work skillfully, without disturbing the sleepers by their rummaging, and left unobserved.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.

—Manufacturers of pure ground coffee will be interested to know that there is no duty on chicory or dandelion root.—*Texas Siftings.*

—While the modern husband has much to answer for, it can not be said against him that he ever goes through his wife's pocket.—*Boston Courier.*

—If anybody wants to test the folly of gambling let him take chances at a charity fair. The experience will be a good object-lesson.—*Baltimore American.*

—Elsie—"Bob, I wish you would tell me how a handkerchief flirtation is worked." Bob—"Easy and simple enough, sister—with two fools and two handkerchiefs."—*Town Topics.*

—If the granite bowlders that make the Falls of Niagara should ever wear away they can be replaced by the cheeks of Niagara hackmen, and be [illegible].—*N. O. Picayune.*

—"Will the coming man perspire?" asks an exchange. Not unless he is a dude. If he is an ordinary everyday citizen he will simply sweat.—*Burlington Free Press.*

—Wife—"What a lovely little bonnet! Who brought it up?" Husband—"A small boy, my dear." Wife—"Did he bring the bill?" Husband—"O, no; I guess they'll send that up on a hand-cart."—*Washington Post.*

—"George" writes to inquire what athletic game he had better cultivate in order to improve his appetite. Try draw poker, my boy. Stick to it, and you will be hungry most of the time.—*Terre Haute Express.*

—Young Doctor B. is run down with business. "You must earn a mint of money," said a friend to him one day. "Not at all; my patients don't pay." "No? But their heirs ought to stand something handsome."—*Judge.*

—Freshly—"Between you and me, Springley, Miss Rosalie is a charming girl. I'm really quite gone in that quarter." Springley—"O, you don't know how that will please her. She told me the other evening that when you called she always thought you would never go."—*Boston Post.*

—It is said that in eight cases out of ten if a man gets $50,000 all of a sudden he will either go cracked in the head or make a laughing stock of himself. That's doubtless the reason why Providence keeps $50,000 away from so many of us.—*Detroit Free Press.*

—Newspaper humorist (sarcastically to his best girl)—"People may sneer and laugh at my special line of work, but it brings in the dollars just the same." Best girl (reproachfully)—"I hope, Charley, you don't include me. I never think of laughing at your work."—*N. Y. Sun.*

—Impatient husband—"Where in the world have you been? I want my dinner." Wife—"Excuse me, John, but I ran down to the sewing society at five, and to my surprise it didn't wind up until eight." Husband—"You mean it was wound up at five and didn't run down until eight."—*Exchange.*

—Paterfamilias (at the supper-table to Mr. Thomas Catch, Susie's beau—"It is said that a Spaniard can live upon an onion and a few olives a day. It seems surprising to us, does it not?" —Susie's Little Brother—"Mr. Catch, I know what you live on." Mr. Catch—"What, Tommy?" Little Brother—"On your aunt; pa said so."—*Yankee Blade.*

—The Governor of Alaska, in his annual report to the Secretary of the Interior, states that the white population has greatly increased, and he estimates that there are 25,000 natives. The total population is 49,850, and of this number there are 6,500 whites, 1,900 creoles, and 2,950 Aleuts. He further states that the climate is favorable and the soil rich, and he sees no reason why Alaska should not soon take its place as a rival of Montana and Wyoming territories.

HOTELS IN JAPAN.

According to "Carp," They Are the Noisiest Places Outside of Bedlam.

A Japanese hotel is one of the noisiest places outside of Bedlam. The walls are of paper, and you can hear all the talk of your next-room neighbor. Many of these walls are pushed back at times, and as you pass through the corridors you see the various occupations of the guests. The sleeping, dressing and eating goes on before your eyes. The guests eat in their own rooms, and their food is served to them on little tables about a foot high. Each man has his own table, and in the cases of families each member squats on his heels or knees before one of these little tables, which is not over two feet square. New chop-sticks are furnished to every guest. They come wrapped up in paper, and with these the guest can eat every thing from rice to fish. It is wonderful how well they separate the bones from the fish with them, and how they are able to pick up beans and peas between two sticks and eat them. The food is brought in in little bowls, and there are no plates, knives, forks or spoons. The rice comes last, and this is brought to the room in a wooden box hooped with brass and looking very much like an American sugar box. The Japanese eat very fast, and a man is considered lazy if he eats slowly. It is rather a compliment than otherwise to make a noise in eating, and the smacking of the lips shows the host that you appreciate his food. If you grunt and regurgitate, it will not be out of the way, and when you close your dinner with rice you will do well if you will pour your rice-bowl half full of tea and mix this with the rice. As you get near the bottom it will be the approved Japanese fashion to lift the rice-bowl to your lips and shovel the contents in with your chopsticks. You may eat as much rice as you please, and you will be expected at the close of the meal to carefully wrap up the dainties remaining and to drop them into the long pocket of the sleeves of your gown. You will find no sign in these Japanese hotels indicating that "food taken from the table will be charged extra for," and if you are dining with Japanese you will probably have from two to six geishas to keep you company.—*Frank G. Carpenter, in National Tribune.*

THE HICKMAN COURIER.

HICKMAN, KY.,

FRIDAY, : : : JAN. 4, 1889.

Viva Voce Voting.

Kentucky is the only State in the Union which adheres to viva voce voting. All the other States vote with the ballot.

The COURIER for one, having witnessed for years the operation of both plans, declares its preference for the ballot system for many reasons, chief among which is the belief on our part that the ballot guarantees the freest and most independent suffrage. To be sure, there is an air of manliness about proclaiming with the living voice at the polls who you are for or against, as Kentuckians do, whether voting for President of the United States or constable of a county precinct, but experience has taught that this "manliness" attaches more particularly to the strong, the powerful, and the rich, and that the poor the dependent, and may-be oppressed, are more frequently thereby embarrassed, intimidated, and from various causes prevented from voting their real judgment and choice.

2nd. When two or more candidates are in the field, the viva voce system gives undue advantage to schemers, combinations and rings, because able to know the vote at any time, the schemers can make a rush on the polls, and soon have the vote where citizens are compelled to forego their real choice because there is made to appear no chance for him, and choose between candidates neither of whom he may think qualified or deserving.

If ballot-voting is ever adopted, what is known as the Australian system, uniform ballots, furnished by the State, and polls arranged so that only the voter and officers of election are present when the ballot is deposited, should also be adopted. This is full of strong points and arguments.

The Clinton Democrat invites discussion of needed amendments to the constitution. What says the Democrat?

TATE'S STEAL.

We want no more men of Tate's stripe filling offices in Kentucky. Give us a practical business men, fresh from the people. Let the people have a choice in his selection. We have no favorite to offer, but would be glad to hear some suggestion.—[Paducah Standard.

Just so, but how to guard against the selection of another such a man as Tate, is easier talked of than done. No man had a better record, was more popular, or more highly endorsed than Dick Tate, and yet he fell. If people can not be guided by such a record and character who can they trust, and for whom can they vote! Our own conclusion is this: Tate was an honest man, and deserved his good name up to several years before his fall, and that the mistake of the people was in trusting him too long. Secondly, those officials whose duty it was to settle with the Treasurer, examine his books, and count his cash, were grossly neglectful of their duty. The Democrats who elected Tate from time to time, are not to blame, for his record, as they were permitted to see it, was good, and hence they had a right to trust him, but those officials whose duty it was, under the law, to make settlement with him, and did it not, are to blame, and will be held rigidly responsible. The defalcation of State officials results from human weakness, and not from any political party teachings, and therefore not rightly chargeable to the party to which the defaulter belongs, but none the less it has the effect of injuring the party to which such a one owes his election. And no matter who or what it hurts, the people want to exercise all the judgment and caution possible to enable them to select an honest and capable State Treasurer.

THE colored people are making an organized movement to have ex-Senator B. K. Bruce, (colored,) given a place in President Harrison's Cabinet. They claim that the colored people elected Harrison, and therefore that their race is entitled to this recognition. There is much truth in this claim, for of the white vote in the United States, Cleveland received more than one million more votes than Harrison.

EGYPTIAN advices state that the Nile, which should be in flood between August and December, has this year been unusually low and that the waters are already receding. In the Delta the results promise to be particularly disastrous, the agricultural welfare depending upon irrigation as well as drainage, and as the irrigating ditches have not been filled, the people are threatened with starvation.

SENATOR GEORGE, of Mississippi, in an interview with a Courier-Journal reporter last evening, said of the election: "I was afraid all along that the President would be sold out and traded off in New York. I think his defeat was desired by Hewitt, and while he may have voted for him, I believe Hewitt was willing to sacrifice all his own chances, to see the President beaten for re-election."

A TREMENDOUS big thing in the way of a monster gun is being made in England. It is to be a 200-tonner, and is to be made at the Wolwich Arsenal. The special machinery required to lift it upon its carriage will cost quite $110,000. Its projectile is to weigh two tons, and when it is mounted on some point of the English coast it is expected to drop into the sea 4,000 pounds of shrapnel every five minutes to a distance of fifteen miles.

COLONIZING THE NEGRO.

The newspapers are giving much space to the discussion of the race problem, or what to do with the negro, the majority sentiment of which appears to be in favor of some colonization scheme. Congress has done nothing to help solve this vexed problem. Grant, when President, anticipating race troubles in the South, sought to acquire San Domingo as a future home for the negro, but this proved impracticable, pleasing neither the colored or white people.

The present drift tends toward colonizing the negro in the Indian territory, and contiguous territory, setting it apart exclusively for his possession, rule and control, under the protection of the United States Government, of which it will remain a part and parcel, precisely as any other State.

The Moores, who were the original settlers of Spain, those emigrated from their country, and left Spain to the possession of the Spaniards. And it was probably better both for the Spaniards and the Moors, that the separation thus took place, for if they had continued to occupy the same territory, a continued race war, feuds, and strifes, would have prevailed, whereas they separated in peace. The same was true of the Hebrews in leaving Egypt.

Heretofore, the white people of the South, have [illegible] part scarcely in the discussion of this question, from the fact that sectional feeling in the North would misconstrue and misunderstand anything they do or say on the subject. Neither have the colored people of the South taken any conspicuous part in any colonization project. They have their innate attachment for the Southern country, and are loath to take hold of any exodus or colonization scheme.

Time works wonders, and it may be that the time is nearer upon us than many calculate, when the colored people of the South may feel it their interest, under the Government encouragement, to find homes for themselves in the beautiful and magnificent country now known as the Indian territory, where they can enjoy peace and prosperity, and work out their own development, without war or hindrance.

THE SUPPRESSED VOTE.

The assertion that the negroes are all Republicans, or even that any considerable portion of them are Republicans, is absolutely false, or they are not allowed to vote as they please, or, if allowed to vote their votes are not counted as cast.—[Freedom Republican.

In Kentucky, we don't believe that a half dozen respectable Republicans, white or black, can be found, who will assert that in any way the negroes' right to vote is abridged or interfered with, and yet the charge is continuous in the Republican papers that the negro vote in Kentucky is "suppressed," or in some way unfairly dealt with. This is as false as we of our own knowledge know. The editor of the Republican can probably testify as to Tennessee, *but of his own knowledge* he can not be a competent witness as to elections in other States. This brings us to the point that the framers of our Government wisely left the elective franchise to the control of the communities at interest—that is to the States. And there it must be left. The experience of the Reconstruction period under Republican rule demonstrated the wisdom of the local self-government plan, and Grant, Hayes, Garfield and Arthur, Republican Presidents, bowed to it. It is equally a waste of words to wrangle over alleged election frauds in New York or Mississippi, Indiana or Louisiana, for it must end in partisan wrangle. There is no doubt great corruption in the New York elections, but it is because an element of the electors are corrupt, and not because they are disloyal to the Federal Government. No voters could be bought in New York or Indiana, if some voters were not corrupt enough to sell. And, if Republican leaders buy enough votes to carry those States, it is simply a misfortune to the Democracy to realize that some of its members are corrupt enough to sell to them. So, possibly, it might be reversed in some of the Southern States. The virtue and intelligence of the voters is the only protection against such corruptions.

CONGRESS AND REFORMS.

Considering how slow and chronically stupid Congress is it is showing a laughable activity in consequence of the recent elections. Congressmen have concluded that the people are somebody, and seem to be acting upon the principle of what they have to do should be done quickly. There has been a greater disposition manifested during the last few days to accomplish something, than has been seen for years. Members are giving notice that they will call up this or that measure for immediate consideration and action, and are introducing bills of merit every day. It is a pity that these fellows waited until they were hanged over the head before going to work. The time is now so short that but little can be accomplished at best, while if the time that has been spent in idleness, or worse than idleness, had been utilized as it now seems to be the intention of Congress to utilize its dying hours, a vast deal might have been done.

NO INVESTIGATION.

In the race war at Wahlak, Miss., there being no one killed except whites, the New York Times says there will be no Congressional investigation of the affair, from the fact that the Republican extremists can make no political capital out of it. Another reason is that this riot occurred after the Presidential election and not before.

—Careful investigation relating to the burning of the Kate Adams on the 23rd ult., shows that it was caused by a red-hot poker hauled out of the fire-doors in front of the furnace the end of which fell on a sack of cotton seed as the fireman let it drop on the larboard side. The blaze ran up the side of the cotton, and the fireman tried hard to quench it with his hands, but in a moment it was beyond control. This information has been gained by the testimony of the deck crew and firemen, taken before the official inspectors at Memphis last week. The actual number of people lost by the fire was only about fourteen.

—Next August the people of Kentucky will elect a Clerk of the Court of Appeals, and we suppose the Hon. Thos. G. Poore, of Hickman county, will be a candidate for the position. In truth and in fact, he has been the Clerk for the now expiring term, for upon him has devolved all the duties of the position. There is not a more competent man in the State, and if capacity and qualification is any recommendation, certainly Col. Poore deserves an election.

—Kentucky has just won a signal victory in a series of twenty-one altercations at Mobile between Alabama and Kentucky chickens, for $1,000 a side and $100 extra on each difficulty. This may be well enough, but if our roosters could have won in New York and Indiana, the COURIER could have crowed louder and longer.

—An exchange says that it's about as hard to find a girl whose marriage is announced in the newspapers who isn't "beautiful and accomplished," as it is to find a man who has lately died who wasn't "honored and respected by all who knew him."

—A young negro named Clarence Tilghman, was arrested, Monday, for attempting to wreck the railroad train. He had driven spikes between the joints of the rails. There was no serious damage done.

—Payne, the murderer of Brown, who broke jail at Troy some weeks since, is still at large. A reward of $500 is offered for his apprehension, and our opinion is that it will bring him, too.—[Union City Anchor.

—We learn that Eld. R. S. Fleming, of the Baptist Church, will shortly move to Hickman, having rented a residence in East Hickman.

THE CONTESTS.

[Courier-Journal.]

Not less than a dozen contests for seats in the next House are already outlined, though but one notice—that of Hartsuff (Rep.) against Whiting (Dem) of the Seventh Michigan district—has been filed with the Clerk of the House. The defeated Republicans who hope to get into the House because their party has the majority are apt to find numerous stumbling blocks in their paths, the chiefest of which will be the very narrow margin by which the Republicans hold that body. The Democrats are not apt to permit that margin to be increased, except where the right absolutely demands it.

AN OLD DOCUMENT.

CITY HALL, Sept 9, 1859.

CALL MEETING.

Council met. Present, Mayor J. M. Durham; Councilmen E. Case, J. Kirkpatrick, J. F. Morre and A. H. Payne.

The Mayor informed the Council that he had convened them at the urgent solicitations of the citizens of Hickman to take into consideration the propriety of sending delegates to represent the city in the Railroad Convention to be held by those interested in the early completion of the Iron Mountain Railroad in the city of St. Louis on the 29th of September, 1859.

Councilman Case offered the following resolutions which were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, By the City Council of the City of Hickman, that A. D. Kingman, Jno. A. Gardner, Jno. A. Lauderdale and J. Saudeck, be and they are hereby nominated, constituted and appointed delegates and agents for the city of Hickman, to attend the Railroad Convention to be held in the city of St. Louis, Mo., on the 29th day of this month, by those interested in the early completion of the Iron Mountain Railroad to a point on the Mississippi river.

Resolved, That the said A. D. Kingman, Jno. A. Gardner, Jno. A. Lauderdale and J. Saudeck be and they are hereby nominated, constituted appointed delegates and agents for the said city of Hickman to represent her in said Railroad Convention, and they are hereby authorized to pledge to the Board of Directors, or other person or persons having authority to locate and build the said Iron Mountain Railroad the bonds of the city of Hickman to the amount of seventy-five thousand dollars ($75,000) to be issued by the said city of Hickman, at such time and in such amounts and payable at such date or dates as the above named delegates and agents may agree upon. Provided, nevertheless, that the Board, person or persons having authority to locate and build the said Iron Mountain Railroad will locate and build it within a reasonable time from St Louis, Mo., to some point on the Mississippi river opposite the said city of Hickman as near as practicable.

On motion, adjourned until regular meeting.

J. M. DURHAM, Mayor.
B. R. WALKER, C. Clerk.
C. L. RANDLE, Clerk, pro tem.

I, C. L. Randle, City Clerk, pro tem. for the city of Hickman, certify that the foregoing two pages present a full and correct copy of the proceedings of the City Council, had at a call meeting held in the City Hall, in said city, on the 9th day of September, 1859, as appears from the minutes of said meeting in this office.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and the seal of the city of Hickman, this September 24th, 1859.

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THERE is a proposition in Missouri to "farm out" the convicts of that state. The proposal is met with the unanimous and vigorous denunciation of the press over there, who denounce the practice as barbaric and uncivilized,

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GENUINE HYDROPHOBIA.

Police officer Henry Fehle, of St. Louis, died a horrible death from hydrophobia, last week. Last September, while walking his beat, he was bitten on the right leg by a dog, but thought nothing of the wound. Last week his leg began to swell, and he was taken down with violent symptoms of hydrophobia. He passed from one convulsion into another, and finally died in great agony. Dr. Bernasay, who attended him, says the case was genuine hydrophobia.

THE TEST OF BEAUTY.

[Frankfort Capital.]

A controversy is on hand between New York and San Francisco newspapers as to the beauty of the women of the two localities, each claiming precedence. It has been suggested, and the suggestion is well considered, that Kentucky women be taken as the standard, and that those who approach nearest to the women of Kentucky in beauty, be awarded the distinction of holding second place among the beautiful women of the United States.

THERE are so many criminals in New York City this year that the ordinary courts are incapable of trying them. Gov. Hill has been compelled to order the convening of a special court with instructions to it to continue its sitting until the criminal calendar is entirely cleaned up.

A MEXICAN sorceress has predicted that Mexico will conquer the United States in 1890.

THE carpet manufacturers of this country have entered into a combination to advance prices.

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LOCAL NEWS.

—1889.

—Election next Monday.

—Let there be a full vote polled.

—See Council proceedings.

—1889 opened bright and cheerful.

—Hickman needs more dwelling houses.

—Predictions for the weather are now in order.

—Mrs Carrie Mahoney, of Fulton, is visiting Mrs. Addie Jones.

—The opening up of Moscow Avenue, this year, is an assured fact.

—Mr. Sam Parker has returned from a visit to relatives in Clarksville, Tenn.

—Are you for or against the railroad subscription? That's the question.

—Miss Inez Parker, of Clarksville, Tenn., is visiting her brother Mr. Sam Parker.

—Miss Mollie Caldwell of Carbondale, Ills., is visiting Miss Adelle Allen.

—Renew your subscription to the COURIER. Only $1.00 per year if paid in advance.

—There are two tickets in the field for Mayor and Councilmen. They are all clever men.

—Vote for the subscription to the Paducah, Hickman & Southern Railroad, next Monday.

—It is telegraphed from Washington that the President will veto the river and harbor bill.

—Mr. Geo. Weimer, of Dyersburg, an old Hickman boy, spent several days in the city this week.

—Miss Anna Baltzer, returned to Princeton College, Tuesday last, having passed the Holidays at home.

—Never a soul hereabouts got a peep at the sun in eclipse New Year's evening. The hazy atmosphere prevented.

—The little folks enjoyed a very pleasant sociable at the residence of Mr. Bowly Moore, East Hickman, one night last week.

—Of the 6,430 miles of railroad constructed in the country during the year 1888, 3,617 have been constructed in the South.

—He who works for the public has a thousand masters, each one of whom insists upon being served in a different way.

—Our merchants report that they have had the finest business this season that has been enjoyed in Hickman for years past.

—Mr. Jos. Kirkpatrick, of Dyersburg, accompanied by his wife, is visiting his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Kirkpatrick.

—The Young Men's Christian Association will meet in the Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Everybody cordially invited.

—Prof. Arnold Hunziker, who is at present engaged in teaching the brass band at Huntingdon, Tenn., spent a day or two at home with his family, this week.

—It is sad to contemplate that the year 1888 has departed and so many of our magnificent male catches are left in the blank, bleak realm of single cussedness.

—A young man by the name of Bone, got caught in a wheel in Galbreath's mill, Clinton, Saturday, receiving internal injuries from which he died the next day.

—Messrs. J. D. Millard & Son., of this city, will commence the erection of a new brick building, on Clinton street, for Mr. Jos. Sohm, as soon as the weather will permit.

—Hickman young people held watch-meetings to greet the New Year. It was ushered in precisely as other mornings, in the good old regulation way for so many thousand years.

—The enterprising newspaper correspondent tried to get up a race war at Lamar. Miss., but it finally resolved itself into a fight between a drunken negro and a white man.

RAINBOW PARTY.

There was a Rainbow Party given by Miss Mollie Baltzer, on Monday eve, the close of old year. The parlor had been decorated for the occasion by a rainbow. The invited guests assembled at the early hour of half-past 7 o'clock. After a few moments of pleasant conversation, the hostess surprised the young gentlemen by passing the card receiver, which contained cards bearing each young lady's name. Her [illegible] Miss Mattie Rose, then ascertaining the name of cards, gave to them aprons corresponding with the names they had drawn, every young lady having selected a shade of the rainbow, then the secret was revealed to them. Taking needle, thread and thimble in hand, which they used '*very gracefully*,' were much enthused over their sewing, trying to win the prize. When they had finished the task there was much excitement and amusement. It was decided by Mrs. Baltzer that Mr. W. A. Dodds did the best work. Music was then rendered; also, games enjoyed, after which refreshments were served. Then, before the merry party realized the fact, the New Year had dawned upon them. Those present were:

Mr. A J Thompson and Miss E. N. [illegible]

Mr. A. A. Davis and Miss Lou [illegible]

Mr. W. A. Dodds and Miss B[illegible] McAnulty

Mr. Budd Dodds and Miss Mollie Baltzer

Mr. R. Buchanan and Miss Irma Baltzer.

Mr. Alf M. [illegible] and Miss Mattie Rose

Mr. W. H. Baltzer and Miss Mae Diestelbrink

Mr. L. P. Baltzer and Miss Ella Hagan.

Don't Experiment.

You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems, at first, only a cold. Do not permit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, but be sure you get the genuine. Because he can make more profit he may tell you he has something just as good, or just the same. Don't be deceived, but insist upon getting Dr. King's New Discovery, which is guaranteed to give relief in all Throat, Lung and Chest affections. Trial bottles 10c at J. W. Cowgill's Drug Store. Large bottles $1

—The Leap Year Mask Ball, given by the young ladies of Hickman, was pronounced by all the nicest affair of the kind ever witnessed in Hickman society. The costumes were appropriate and beautiful, the music good, and everything as happy and harmonious as marriage bells. Our reporter failed to furnish a list of the characters represented. Miss Louise Diestelbrink represented the Hickman COURIER, and deserves our thanks for the courtesy. The COURIER, always trustful and good, was never better reflected than when personated by one so pure and pretty. May her life be useful, good and happy.

A Sound Legal Opinion.

E. Bainbridge Munday, Esq., County Atty., Clay Co., Tex. says: "Have used Electric Bitters with most happy results. My brother also was very low with Malarial Fever and Jaundice, but was cured by timely use of this medicine. Am satisfied Electric Bitters saved his life."

Mr. D. I. Wilcoxson, of Horse Cave, Ky., adds a like testimony, saying: He positively believes he would have died, had it not been for Electric Bitters.

This great remedy will ward off, as well as cure all Malarial Diseases, and for all Kidney, Liver and Stomach Disorders stands unequaled. Price 50c. and $1, at J. W. Cowgill's Drug Store.

—Hickman is not booming, balooning or kiting, but she is, all the same, forging steadily ahead in the march of improvement. Just a little more driving power, and the pace will be fast enough. Meantime, let us all keep our shoulders to the wheel and our faces towards the morning. We need more railroads, more manufacturing establishments, more dwelling houses, and all [illegible] that goes to make a live, prosperous town. Shall we have them? The COURIER pledges its best efforts to this end and bespeak the kindly aid and influence of its readers.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

THE BEST SALVE in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by J. W. Cowgill, Druggist.

—Large audiences, this week, have been enjoying Prof. R. B. Arnold's Sun Picture Tours, at City Hall. The scenes are taken from Bible lessons, interspersed with artistic views. The picture travels through the Holy Land, views of the City of Jerusalem, and other Bible cities and localities, are not only interesting but very instructive. Besides, his children's band furnish good choir and instrumental music.

—Mr. Wickersham, of Dyersburg, one of the contractors of the new Hickman College, was in the city this week, perfecting arrangements for work on the building as early as the weather will permit in the spring.

—It would be a misfortune to Paducah, from any cause, to lose Charlie Reed from the Mayoralty. Paducah's new life, activity and prosperity is coeval with his entrance to that office, and the enterprise of to-day that has supplanted the old fogy Paducah of the past, is largely attributable to the spirit he has infused into public affairs. The approaching race is to be upon closely drawn political party lines, and the chances are about even. Charlie Reed, in the lead, will fasten the good will and confidence of Western Kentucky toward Paducah as the metropolis of this section.

At Night always have Acker's Baby Soother at hand. It is the only safe medicine yet made that will remove all infantile disorders. It contains *no Opium or Morphine*, but gives the child *natural ease from pain*. Price 25 cents. Sold by J.W. COWGILL, Druggist.

—The newly elected officers of Hickman Lodge, No. 340, Knights of Honor, for the ensuing term, will be installed to-night. The following are the officers elect:

Dictator—B. Moore

Vice-Dictator—Rev C L Pindar.

Ass't-Dictator—Chas. C. Smith.

Reporter—Thos. Dillon, Sr

Fin-Reporter—H. C. Beckman.

Treasurer—A. M. DeBow.

Chaplain—Rev. R. M. King.

Guide—Jas. C. Wearn.

Guardian—Peter George.

Sentinel—Wm. Schubach.

Thos. Dillon, Jr. was elected Representative to Grand Lodge.

The reason why Acker's Blood Elixir is warranted, is because it is the best Blood Preparation known. It will positively cure all Blood Diseases, purifies the whole system, and thoroughly builds up the constitution. Remember, we guarantee it. J. W. COWGILL, Druggist.

—The teachers and scholars of the Baptist Sunday School held a social party at the rooms formerly occupied by the Y. M. C. Association. Friday evening last. It was a pleasant affair and was greatly enjoyed by the little folks.

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EVERYBODY

—TO—

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OUR LARGE AND WELL-SELECTED STOCK OF

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GOODS,

WHICH ARE NOW ON OUR COUNTERS READY FOR SALE

New Laces,
New Embroideries,
New Dress Goods,
New Dress Trimmings,
New Dress Styles Prints,
New Dress Styles Ginghams,
New Wraps,
New Jackets,
New Woolen Hosiery,
New Cotton Hosiery,
New Cotton Goods,
New Flannels,
New Carpets,
New Oil Cloth,
New Towels,
New Napkins,
New Table Linen,
New Silks and Satins,
New Custom-Made Shoes,
and the latest style NOVELTIES, at the *VERY LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICE.*

J. AMBERG'S SONS.

—An important change will occur on the first of the year in the ownership of the Mississippi & Tennessee Railroad, running from Memphis to Granada. It has been practically under the control of the Illinois Central for some time, but now it is said will become the absolute property of that road. Some have said that the building of the Cairo & Memphis road, via Hickman, was dependent upon the Illinois Central obtaining absolute ownership of the road to Grenada, and, if that was true, it appears that the work can now go forward.

Old and reliable Medicines are the best to depend upon. Acker's Blood Elixir has been prescribed for years for all impurities of the Blood. In every form of Scrofulous, Syphilitic or Mercurial diseases, it is invaluable. For Rheumatism, has no equal. J. W. COWGILL, Druggist.

—The New Year finds Hickman's business men and interests 25 per cent. better than a year ago, and the promise of future prosperity brighter than the staid old COURIER cares to picture for fear much now anticipated may never be realized. However, this thing of "future prosperity" depends almost absolutely upon the activity, energy and enterprise of our citizens, individually and collectively.

Don't trifle with any Throat or Lung Disease. If you have a Cough or Cold, or the children are threatened with Croup or Whooping Cough, use Acker's English Remedy and prevent further trouble. It is a positive cure, and we guarantee it. Price 10 and 50c. J. W. COWGILL, Druggist.

—Dr. J. C. Burdick, of Reelfoot Lake, was in the city Wednesday. Jack is a thorough-going business man and has established an immense business in the fish and game line.

If you would enjoy your dinner and are prevented by Dyspepsia, use Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets. They are a positive cure for Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Flatulency and Constipation. We guarantee them. 25 and 50 cents. J. W. COWGILL, Druggist.

—Mr. Adam Simones, of the firm of Trautweine & Simones, of Union City, was in the city yesterday prospecting, with a view of establishing a machine shop here at an early date.

NOWHERE IN SOUTHWEST KENTUCKY CAN YOU FIND

A better selection of GENTS FURNISHING GOODS and READY MADE CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, CAPS, &c., than we have in our Stock. *We mean what we say!* that we will sell these goods down at *ROCK BOTTOM PRICES*, and *Guarantee Satisfaction*. We are headquarters for all kinds of Rubber Goods and Gum Coats, and always keep the best brands.

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—The following are the newly-elected officers of Hickman Lodge No. 63, Knights of Pythias, for the ensuing term:

R. M. Isler, Past Chancellor.

H. M. Maxwell, Chancellor Commander.

G. E. Bartlett, Vice Chancellor.

E. A. Burlingame, Prelate.

F. E. Case, Master of Exchequer.

Mose Johnson, Keeper of Records and Seal.

B. B. Saunders, Master of Finance.

G. H. Effinger, Master at Arms.

A Fresh Supply

—OF—

Staple and Fancy Groceries

which we will always sell at the lowest market rates.

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—Pharmacists expecting to continue in business, should bear in mind that the law requires each to apply to the County Court within the first ten days of January of each year for a renewal of license. Judge Naylor will open court Wednesday, Jan. 9, for druggists to have license renewed.

Editor Hickman Courier.

Please allow me through your columns to offer my sincere and heartfelt thanks to the good people of Hickman for their kind sympathy and words of condolence in my sad affliction.

Respectfully,
W. H. JACKSON.

—We direct attention to the card of Mr. N. B. Bruer, successor to Fuqua & DeBow. Mr. Bruer has recently located in our midst, is highly spoken of by those who know him, and the COURIER bespeaks for him a share of public patronage. His stock is complete and his prices as low as the lowest. Give him a trial.

—Mr. J. W. Straughan, jeweler, has recently located in Hickman, and is now ready to repair jewelry, watches, clocks, &c. All he asks is a fair trial, as his work will speak for itself. His shop is on Clinton street, in the Berendes building, two doors west of Hickman Bank. nov9-tf

—At a regular meeting of the Y. M. C. A., last Sunday, the following officers were elected for the six months:

President—R. M. Metheny.

1st Vice-President—S. Vreeland.

2nd Vice-President—F. E. Case.

Secretary—J. E. Fuqua.

Treasurer—R. B. Brevard.

—"Nothing venture, nothing have" is just as true a maxim in advertising as in any other line of business; neither more nor less true. It is impossible that all advertising should succeed, however well devised; it is impossible that all should fail, if it be well conducted.

—What have you to offer the public, business men of Hickman? Is what you have to offer worth having? If it isn't don't advertise it. Is it capable of general application? If so, advertise it liberally.

—Property in Hickman is cheap, and so, also, is the cost of living. This is the place for those seeking a home to locate. And, beside this, we have as good social advantages as can be found anywhere.

—Mrs. Fannie Ledford, of Roaring Springs, Ky., mother of Mr. Thos. Ledford of this city, accompanied by her daughter, is visiting her neice, Mrs. Jennie Case.

MARRIED.

On the 30th ult., Mr. J. M. Kirk, Jr., to Georgie Brent.

On the 2nd inst., Mr. Jasper Beckman to Tina Morris.

For Rent or Sale!

DWELLING HOUSE,
GROCERY STORE,
LIVERY STABLE,
And BAKERY.

Stock of Groceries will be sold at a reasonable reduction. The property will be rented all together or separately. For price and terms, apply to

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N. B. BRUER,

(Successor to Fuqua & DeBow,)

—DEALER IN—

STAPLE AND FANCY

GROCERIES

—AND—

ConfectionerieS,

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY.

Please give me a call. ja4-89

New Book Store.

Having purchased Mrs. E. T. Gardner's entire stock of Books, Stationery, Fancy Goods, &c., I will continue to keep on hand, at the old stand, a complete line of *SCHOOL BOOKS, STATIONERY, NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, &c.*

Any of the above not in stock will be promptly procured upon application.

Come and see me.

se21 J. CLINT. ELLISON.

THE RAILROAD.

ELECTION, JAN. 7TH, 1889.

READ, AND SEE WHAT YOU VOTE UPON.

PROPOSITION.

The following proposition was submitted to the Council by Hon. W. G. Bullitt, Attorney for the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad Company:

"The Paducah, Hickman & Southern Railroad Company propose to build a steel rail, standard gauge Railroad from Paducah to Hickman, and establish a depot within the city of Hickman, and extend the same to a crossing of the Mississippi river inside or near said city; thence on the west side of said river out to connect with some important system of Railroads being operated on said west side of said river or cause the same to be constructed and operated, upon condition the city of Hickman will subscribe for and take, five hundred shares at one hundred dollars per share, of the capital stock of said Road, said shares to be paid for by said city in its bonds, with interest at the rates of 5 per centum per annum, payable semi-annually, both to be made payable at some Banking House or Trust Company in the City of New York, the bonds to be made payable thirty years after date. But said bonds are not to be delivered until said line of Railroad is completed and trains running through said city on said Road, and until 1st of January, 1891.

W. G. BULLITT,
Att'y for P., H. & S. R. R."

ORDINANCE.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Hickman, Ky, That said City of Hickman by virtue of the authority in it vested, by the terms of the charter of the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad company and its own corporate authority and powers, subscribe for Five Hundred (500) shares of the capital stock of said railroad company, valued at one hundred dollars ($100 00), each share to be paid for in fifty bonds of said city of the denomination of one thousand dollars each, said bonds to be payable at the end of thirty years from the date thereof and to bear interest from date at the rate of five per centum per annum payable semi-annually, the principal and interest of said bonds to be made payable at some banking house or trust company in the city of New York.

Said bonds to be issued by virtue of, and in conformity with, the provisions of the authority granted in the charter of the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad company aforesaid.

The bonds to be signed by the Mayor and Clerk of said city, with interest coupons attached, which are to be signed only by the City Clerk.

Said fifty bonds, when issued and delivered as herein provided, are to be received by said Railroad company at par, and in full payment for the said five hundred shares of the capital stock aforesaid.

And said city agrees and binds itself to levy and collect from the tax payers of said city an amount sufficient to pay the interest on said bonds as the same matures, and provide for the payment of the principal of said bonds at maturity.

That the said subscription of stock is made on the following terms, to-wit: The Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad company shall construct, or cause to be constructed, a well built steel rail, standard gauge Railroad from Paducah into the corporate limits of the city of Hickman, and establish a depot within said city, and extend its said Railroad to a point of crossing of the Mississippi river inside or near the said city of Hickman, and construct, or cause to be constructed, its said railroad out from the West side of said river to a connection with some important system of roads being operated on said West side of said river in connection with said Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad.

The bonds aforesaid shall not be delivered to said Railroad company until said line of Railroad shall have been completed and trains running through said city thereon, and until the 1st of January, 1891. But upon the completion of said Railroad, as aforesaid, the Mayor shall cause to be executed and delivered to said company the fifty bonds provided for in this ordinance in full payment of the subscription to the capital stock by said city, as aforesaid, provided the bonds shall bear interest from the date of the completion of said railroad as aforesaid, and not before and from their date of January 1st, 1891, if completed after said date of Jan 1st, 1891, and is no case to bear interest earlier than Jan. 1st, 1891.

This ordinance shall not go into effect until the same shall have been submitted to and voted on affirmatively by a majority of the qualified voters of said city; and for the purpose of ascertaining the sense of the qualified voters of said city upon said proposition, it is ordered that an election be held on the 7th of January, 1889, the same being the day of the regular election for city officers, at which election each voter offering to vote, shall be asked, "are you for or against the subscription to the capital stock of the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad?" and his vote shall be recorded accordingly. The election shall be held, returns made, and the result ascertained, in the manner provided by the city charter for holding elections generally, so far as applicable to this sort of elections. In the event a majority of all the qualified voters of said city vote in favor of said subscription, the said city shall, by its Mayor, proceed to make said subscription of five hundred shares to the capital stock of the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad company; and, in case the subscription is not voted for by a majority of the qualified voters of said city, this ordinance shall be null and void and of no effect.

ELECTION NOTICE!

The qualified voters of the City of Hickman, Fulton County, Kentucky, are hereby notified that, by virtue of an act of the Legislature of Kentucky, approved April 13th, 1888, and by ordinance adopted by the Common Council of the City of Hickman, at the regular meeting held at City Hall, Dec. 4th, 1888, an election is ordered to be held at the City Hall, on Monday, Jan. 7th, 1889, to take the sense of the qualified voters upon the question of the city of Hickman subscribing the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars to the Capital Stock of the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad Company, as authorized by said act of the Legislature, and of said Common Council, at which said election each voter will be asked the distinct question, "Are you for or against the subscription of Fifty Thousand Dollars to the Capital Stock of the Paducah, Hickman and Southern Railroad Company?" and the vote shall be recorded according to the answer of each voter. Said election to be held within legal hours, and by the officers appointed to hold the regular City election. Dec. 7, 1888.

W. L. McCUTCHEN, City Clerk.

STOP!

And get your Blacksmithing and general Repairing done at

J. F. GRAY'S,

(*Corner of Obion and Exchange Streets,*)

HICKMAN, KY

Good Work at Rock-bottom Prices. My motto.

MILL WORK a specialty.

JOHN F. GRAY.

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Selling Out! Selling Out!!

Our Immense Stock of

Fall and Winter' Goods,

Must be sold, until the 1st of February, regardless of cost. We are offering some of our goods at 50c on the Dollar.

Now is the Time for Bargains!

These goods must be sold at any price. We will give you the Biggest Bargains ever offered before in this city.

AUCTION!

We will have Auction Sales on Saturday and Saturday nights. Come before the Bargains are all gone!

We thank our friends for past patronage, and hope to see them all before these Goods are disposed of.

GOLDSTEIN & GOLDFARB,

New York Store.

LEAVE YOUR ORDERS FOR COAL.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

HICKMAN, KY., Jan. 1, 1889.

Council met. Present, Mayor Murrell; Councilmen, Witting, Cole, Brown, Buckner, Hertwack and Sohm.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, approved and signed.

OFFICER'S SETTLEMENTS.

The Finance Committee reported the following settlements with the city officers up to January 1st, 1889.

CITY CLERK.	
General Fund Receipts,	$3,563 60
City Hall Receipts,	140 50
Sale of College Bonds,	1,400 00
Sale of City Lots,	50 00
Total receipts,	5,154 10
By Vouchers in full,	5,154 10
CITY TAX COLLECTOR.	
Total amount of Tax Book,	5,224 89
By Vouchers,	4,863 82
Bal uncollected,	361 07
CITY MARSHAL.	
Total fines collected,	191 70
By Vouchers,	184 60
Bal in hands of Marshal,	7 10
W. A. BROWN, POLICEMAN.	
Total receipts for fines,	76 00
By Vouchers in full,	76 00
W. A. LAWSON, POLICEMAN.	
Total receipts for fines,	56 00
By vouchers in full,	56 00
SUPERINTENDENT CEMETERY.	
Total collections	146 26
By vouchers in full,	146 26
CITY TREASURER—GENERAL FUND ACC'T.	
Total receipts from all sources,	7,852 54
By vouchers,	6,146 26
Bal. to credit General Fund,	1,706 28
FUNDED DEBT ACCOUNT.	
Total receipts from all sources,	3,590 91
By vouchers,	3,454 46
Bal. to credit Funded Debt,	136 45
CITY HALL ACCOUNT.	
Total receipts from all sources,	714 10
By vouchers,	560 50
Bal. to credit City Hall,	153 60
RECAPITULATION.	
Am't in Treasury Cr. Gen'l Fund,	1,706 28
Am't in Treasury Cr. Fund Debt,	136 45
Am't in Treasury Cr. City Hall,	153 60
Total balance cash in Treasury,	$1,996 33

In addition to this amount of cash on hand, the Finance Committee have paid off two of the funded Bonds, of $500 00 each—one due Sept. 1889, and one due Sept. 1890, and your committee would suggest that another Bond of $500 00, not yet due, be paid out of the surplus in the Treasury to the credit of the Funded Debt and the General Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
J. W. COLE,
OTTO HERTWECK,
W. T. BUCKNER,
Finance Committee.

On motion the report was received and ordered filed.

ACCOUNTS ALLOWED.

The following accounts were presented properly approved, which, on motion, were allowed and checks ordered issued for the amounts:

R. B. Brevard, for sundries,	19 66
G. M. Wilburn, Street Commissioner, for pay roll from Dec. 1st to January 1st, 1889,	11 75
John Witting, assignee of John Ringwood, for gravel,	180 00
City Clerk, for stationery,	2 05

CITY DELINQUENT LIST.

The City Tax Collector presented his delinquent list for 1888, which was ordered back into his hands, and a copy of same directed to be filed with the Clerk.

SALARIES FIXED.

On motion, the salary of Mayor, for 1889, is fixed at $100 00 per annum, and that of Councilmen at $50 00 each.

FINE REMITTED.

On motion, Dr. J. N. Outten is released from the payment of the city's part of a fine of $10 00 recently assessed against him in the Fulton Quarterly Court.

CEMETERY DEED.

The City Clerk reported that he had executed deed to J. A. Westmoreland for south-west quarter Cemetery lot No. 56, he having paid Supt. Rossage for same.

On motion, Council adjourned to meet Monday evening, 14th inst.

Attest,
W. L. McCUTCHEN, C. C.

Stray Notice.

TAKEN UP AS A STRAY, by Alex Lawson, living on the head of Bassafras Ridge, about 10 miles west of Hickman, Fulton county, Ky., ONE SORREL HORSE, sixteen hands high, 10 or 12 years old, with white spot in forehead, and white nose, and white on hind legs. No other marks or brands perceivable, and appraised at $75.00.

Given under my hand as Judge of the Fulton County Court, this Dec 5th, 1888.

JOSHUA NAYLOR.

A copy. Attest,
W. P. Tate, Clerk.

EAST HICKMAN

MAN'F'G COMPANY,

JNO. W. MORRIS & SON, Prop's,

—MANUFACTURERS OF—

Fine Buggy Spokes

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WILL GRIND MEAL EVERY SATURDAY. aug10-1y

RELIABLE.

R. B. BREVARD,

Has a splendid stock of the very best makes of all kinds of Hardware which are offered at ONE PRICE, and that the very lowest the market justifies. All goods guaranteed to be exactly as represented.

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THE OLD RELIABLE!

CHAS. A. HOLCOMBE,

—DEALER IN—

DRUGS, MEDICINES, PAINTS AND DYE-STUFFS,

HICKMAN, KY.

PRESCRIPTIONS CAREFULLY COMPOUNDED.

Election Notice.

An election will be held at the City Hall, in the City of Hickman, on Monday the 7th day of January, 1889, to elect a Mayor and six Councilmen for the year, 1889. Election held within the usual hours. By order of the Council

W. L. McCUTCHEN, C. C.

Dec. 21st, 1888.

R. S. MURRELL,

ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

(Office: Up-stairs over Cowgill's Drug Store,)

HICKMAN, KY.

Will practice in all the Courts of the First Judicial District.

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FARIS & PARKER,

KENTUCKY STREET

KEEPS constantly on hand for hire and sale HORSES, BUGGIES and HACKS.

Having purchased the stable, horses and entire outfit of W. B. Plummer we propose to continue the business, and solicit patronage.

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A. F. OLIVER,

BLACKSMITH and UNDERTAKER,

HICKMAN, KENTUCKY.

GIVE ME A TRIAL when you want Blacksmithing done, or repairs on Wagons, &c. I also keep a full line of

Undertaker's Goods,

Common, Rosewood, and Solid Black Walnut Coffins and Cases, which can be fitted up on short notice, and at reasonable prices. Give me a call.

Shop in West Hickman.

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Public Sale!

On Thursday, January 10, 1889, I will offer for sale at public outcry, on my premises, on the Troy road, about 1½ miles from Hickman, on 12 months time, note with approved security, all my personal property, consisting of 3 fine Mules, 1 Horse, 2 road Wagons, 1 Log Wagon, 2 Milch Cows, and other Cattle, Farming Implements, and other things to tedious too mention. Sums under $5 00 cash.

Farm, of 35 acres, will be for rent.

dec21—3w* W. W. HENDRICKS.

H. A. & R. T. TYLER

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

HICKMAN, - - - KENTUCKY

WILL attend to all business entrusted to their care

Office—Furniture Factory.

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Fair Warning!

ALL PARTIES INDEBTED TO THE firm of *MUSE & SHAW* will please come forward and settle by the 10th of January, 1889, or their claims will be put in the hands of an officer for collection. Any one having claims against the firm will please file same.

dec14 4w M. B. SHAW.

Tax Sale!

The following property will be sold as listed, for Taxes, for the year 1888, at the Court House door, in Hickman, Ky., on MONDAY, JAN 14, 1889, it being County Court day, if said tax is not paid:

85 acres of Land, in precinct No. 2, near Henry Davis, listed as the property of Caleb P. Hann. State and county tax $4 00, and cost.

108 acres of land, in precinct No 3, near P. B. Henry, listed by Jas. F. Doty, for Sarah Bainbridge's heirs. State and county tax $1.25, and cost.

17 acres of land, in precinct No. 3, near Mike Eberhert, listed by Louis Chambers. State and county tax 42½ cents, and cost.

160 acres of land, in precinct No. 6 near J. N. Bowman, listed by G. W. Craddock. State and county tax 80 cents, and cost.

So much of the above list of property will be sold, for Cash, to pay said tax and cost.

dec21 W. A. SHUCK,
Sheriff Fulton County.

CHRISTMAS SERMON.

Discourse by Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage, the Distinguished Divine.

The Little Babe, Wrapped in Swaddling Clothes, Lying in a Manger.

The subject of Rev. T. DeWitt Talmage's sermon last Sunday was, "Barnlike Birthplaces." His text was: "Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the Heavenly host."—Luke ii., 12, 13.

At midnight from one of the galleries of the sky a chant broke. To an ordinary observer there was no reason for such a celestial demonstration. A poor man and wife—travelers, Joseph and Mary by name—had lodged in an outhouse of an unimportant village. The supreme hour of solemnity had passed, and upon the pallid forehead and cheek of Mary God had set the dignity, the grandeur, the tenderness, the everlasting and divine significance of motherhood.

But such scenes had often occurred in Bethlehem, yet never before had a star been affixed, or had a baton of light marshaled over the hills a winged orchestra. If there had been such brilliant and mighty recognition at an advent in the house of Pharaoh, or at an advent in the house of Cæsar, or the house of Hapsburg, or the house of Stuart, we would not so much have wondered, but a barn seems too poor a center for such delicate and arch-angelic circumference. The stage seems too small for so great an act, the music too grand for such unappreciative auditors, the window of the stable too rude to be serenaded by other worlds.

No, sir. No, madam. It is my joy this morning to tell you what was born that night in the village barn; and as I want to make my discourse accumulative and climacteric, I begin, in the first place, by telling you that that night in the Bethlehem manger was born (I.) encouragement for all the poorly started. He had only two friends—they his parents. No satin lined cradle, no delicate attentions, but straw, and the cattle, and the coarse joke and banter of the camel drivers. No wonder the mediæval painters represent the oxen as kneeling before the infant Jesus, for there were no men there at that time to worship. From the depths of what poverty He rose, until to-day He is honored in all Christendom and sits on the imperial throne in Heaven.

What name is mightiest to-day in Christendom? Jesus. Who has more friends on earth than any other being? Jesus. Before whom do the most thousands kneel in chapel and church cathedral this hour? Jesus. For whom could one hundred million souls be marshaled, ready to fight or die? Jesus. From what depths of poverty to what height of renown! And so let all those who are poorly started remember that they can not be more poorly born, or more disadvantageously, than this Christ. Let them look up to his example while they have time and eternity to imitate it.

Do you know that the vast majority of the world's deliverers had barnlike birthplaces? Luther, the emancipator of religion, born among the mines. Shakespeare, the emancipator of literature, born in an humble home at Stratford-on-Avon. Columbus, the discoverer of a world, born in poverty at Genoa. Hogarth, the discoverer of how to make art accumulative and administrative of virtue, born in a humble home at Westmoreland. Kitto and Prideaux, whose keys unlocked new apartments in the Holy Scriptures which had never been entered, born in want. Yes, I have to tell you that nine out of ten of the world's deliverers, nine out of ten of the world's messiahs—the messiahs of science, the messiahs of law, the messiahs of medicine, the messiahs of poverty, the messiahs of grand benevolence—were born in want.

I suppose that when Herschel, the great astronomer, was born in the home of a poor musician, not only one star, but all the stars he afterward discovered, pointed down to his manger. I suppose when Haydn, the German composer, was born in the humble home of a poor wheelwright, that all the angels of music chanted over the manger. Oh, what encouragement for those who are poorly started! Ye who think yourselves far down, aspire to go high up!

I stir your holy ambitions to-day, and I want to tell you, although the whole world may be opposed to you, and inside and outside of your occupations or professions there may be those who would hinder your ascent, on your side and enlisted in your behalf are the sympathetic heart and the almighty arm of One who one Christmas night, about eighteen hundred and eighty-eight years ago, was wrapped in swaddling clothes and laid in a manger. Oh, what magnificent encouragement for the poorly started.

II. Again I have to tell you that in that village barn that night was born good will to men, whether you call it kindness, or forbearance, or forgiveness or geniality, or affection, or love. It was no sport of high Heaven to send its favorite to that humiliation. It was sacrifice for a rebellious world. After the calamity in Paradise, not only did the ox begin to gore, and the adder to sting, and the elephant to smite with his tusk, and the lion to put to bad use teeth and paw, but under the very tree from which the forbidden fruit was plucked were hatched out war and revenge and malice and envy and jealousy, and the whole brood of cockatrices.

But against that scene I set the Bethlehem manger, which says: "Bless rather than curse, endure rather than assault," and that Christmas night puts out vindictiveness. It says: 'Sheathe your sword, dismount your guns, dismantle your batteries, turn the war ship Constellation, that carried shot and shell into a grain ship to take food to famishing Ireland, hook your cavalry horses to the plow, use your deadly gunpowder in blasting rocks and in patriotic celebration, stop your lawsuits, quit writing anonymous letters, extract the sting from your sarcasm, let your wit coruscate but never burn, drop all the harsh words out of your vocabulary—'Good will to men.'"

"Oh!" you say, "I can't exercise it; I won't exercise it until they apologise; I won't forgive them until they ask me to forgive them." You are no Christian then—I say you are no Christian, or you are a very inconsistent Christian. If you forgive not men their trespasses, how can you expect your Heavenly Father to forgive you? Forgive them if they ask your forgiveness, and forgive them anyhow. Shake hands all around. "Good will to men."

Oh, my Lord Jesus, drop that spirit into our hearts this Christmas hour. I tell you what the world wants more than any thing else—more helping hands, more sympathetic hearts, more kind words that never die, more disposition to give other people a ride, and to carry the heavy end of the load and give other people the light end, and to ascribe good motives instead of bad and to find our happiness in making others happy.

Out of that Bethlehem crib let the bear and the lion eat straw like an ox. "Good will to men." That principle will yet settle all controversies, and under it the world will keep on improving until there will be only two antagonists in all the earth, and they will side by side take the jubilant sleigh ride intimated by the prophet when he said: "Holiness shall be on the bells of the horses."

III. Again, I remark that born that Christmas night in the village barn was sympathetic union with other worlds. The only skepticism I have ever had about Christianity was an astronomical skepticism which said: "Why would God out of the Heavens and amid the Jupiters and Saturns of the universe have chosen our little bit of a world for the achievement of his only begotten Son when he might have had a vaster scale and vaster worlds?" But my skepticism is all gone as I come to the manger and watch its surroundings. Now I see all the worlds are sisters, and then when one weeps they all weep and when one sings they all sing.

From that supernatural grouping in the cloud banks over Bethlehem, and from the especial trains that ran down to the scene, I find that our world is beautifully and gloriously and magnificently surrounded. The meteors are with us, for one of them ran to point down to the birth place. The Heavens are with us, because of the thought of our redemption they roll hosannas out of the midnight sky.

Oh! yes; I do not know but our world may be better surrounded than we have sometimes imagined; and when a child is born angels fetch it, and when it dies angels take it, and when an old man bends under the weight of years angels uphold him, and when a heart breaks angels soothe it. Angels in the hospital take care of the sick. Angels in the cemetery to watch our dead. Angels in church ready to fly Heavenward with the news of repentant souls. Angels above the world. Angels under the world. Angels all around the world.

Rub the dust of human imperfection out of your eyes, and look into the heavens and see angels of pity, and angels of mercy, angels of pardon, angels of help, angels crowned, angels charioted. The world defended by angels, girdled by angels, cohorted by angels—clouds of angels. Hear David cry out: "The chariots of God are twenty thousand. Even thousands of angels." But the mightiest angel stood not that night in the clouds over Bethlehem; the mightiest angel that night lay among the cattle—the Angel of the new covenant.

As the clean white linen sent in by some motherly villager was being wrapped around the little form of that Child Emperor, not a cherub, not a seraph, not an angel, not a world but wept and thrilled and shouted. Oh! yes, our world has plenty of sympathisers. Our world is only a silver rung of a great ladder at the top of which is our Father's house. No more stellar solitariness for our world, not a friendless planet spun out into space to freeze, but a world in the bosom of divine maternity. A star harnessed to a manger.

IV. Again, I remark that that Christmas night born in the village barn was the offender's hope. Some sermonisers may say I ought to have projected this thought at the beginning of the sermon. Oh! no. I wanted you to rise toward it. I wanted you to examine the cornelians, and the jaspers, and the emeralds, and the chrysalis before I showed you the Kohinoor—the crown jewel of the ages.

Oh! that jewel had a very poor setting. The cub of bear is born amid the grand old pillars of the forest, the whelp of the lion takes its first step from the jungle of luxuriant leaf and wild flower, the kid of the goat is born in cavern chandeliered with stalactite and pillared with stalagmite. Christ was born in a barn. But that nativity was the offender's hope. Over the door of Heaven are written these words: "None but the sinless may enter here."

"O horror," say you, "that shuts us all out." No. Christ came to the world in one door, and he departed through another door. He came through the door of the manger, and he departed through the door of the sepulcher, and his one business was so to wash away our sin that one second after we are dead there will be no more sin about us than about the eternal God.

I know that is putting it strongly, but that is what I understand by full remission. All erased, all washed away, all scoured out, all gone. That undergirding and overarching and irradiating and imparadising possibility for you, and for me, and for the whole race was given on that Christmas night.

Do you wonder we bring flowers to-day to celebrate such an event? Do you wonder that we take organ and cornet and youthful voice and queenly solo to celebrate it? Do you wonder that Raphael and Rubens and Titian and Giotto and Ghirlandajo, and all the old Italian and German painters gave the mightiest stroke of the pencil to sketch the Madonna, Mary and her boy?

Oh! now I see what the manger was. Not so high as the gilded and jeweled and embroidered cradle of the Henrys of England, or the Louises of France, or the Fredericks of Prussia. Now I find out of that Bethlehem crib fed not so much the oxen of the stall as the white horses of Apocalyptic vision. Now I find the swaddling clothes enlarging and emblazoning into an imperial robe for a conqueror. Now I find that the star of that Christmas night was only the diamond sandal of Him who hath the moon under His feet. Now I come to understand that the music of that night was not a complete song, but only the stringing of the instruments for a great chorus of two worlds, the base to be carried by earthly nations saved, and the soprano by kingdoms of glory won.

Oh, Heaven, Heaven, Heaven! I shall meet you there. After all our imperfections are gone, I shall meet you there. I look out to-day, through the mist of years, through the fog that rises from the cold Jordan, through the wide-open door of solid pearl, to that reunion. I expect to see you there as certainly as I see you here. What a time we shall have in high converse, talking over sins pardoned, and sorrows comforted, and battle triumphant!

I am going in. I am going to take all my family with me. I am going to take all my church with me. I am going to take all my friends and neighbors with me. I have so much faith in the manger that I feel sure of it. I am going to coax you in. I am going to push you in. By holy stratagem I am going to surprise you in. Yes, with all the concentrated energy of my nature—physical, mental, spiritual and immortal—I am going to compel you to go in. I like you so well I want to spend eternity with you!

Some of your children have already gone. Some time ago I buried one of them, and though people passing along the street and seeing white crape on the door bell may have said, "Its only a child," yet when the broken hearted mother came to solicit my service she said: "Come around and comfort us, for though she was only 15 months old we loved her so much." Ah! it does not take long for a child to get its arms around the parent's whole nature.

What a Christmas morning it will make when those with whom you kept the holidays are all around you in Heaven! Silver-haired old father young again, and mother who had so many aches and pains and decrepitudes well again, and all your brothers and sisters and the little ones. How glad they will be to see you.

They have been waiting. The last time they saw your face it was covered with tears and distress, and pallid from long watching, and one of them I can imagine to-day, with one hand holding fast the shining gate, and the other hand swung out toward you, saying:

Steer this way, father, steer straight for me;
Here safe in Heaven I am waiting for thee.

Oh! those Bethlehem angels, when they went back after the concert that night over the hills, forgot to shut the door. All the secret is out. No more use of trying to hide from us the glories to come. It is too late to shut the gate. It is blocked wide open with hosannas marching this way, and hallelujahs marching that way.

What almost unmans me is the thought that it is provided for such sinners as you and I have been. If it had been provided only for those who had always thought right, and spoken right, and acted right, you and I would have had to later est in it, had no share in it; you and I would have stuck to the raft mid-ocean, and let the ship sail by, carrying perfect passengers from a perfect life on earth to a perfect life in Heaven.

Oh! I have heard the commander of that ship is the same great and glorious and sympathetic One who hushed the tempest around the boat on Galilee, and I have heard that all the passengers on the ship are sinners saved by grace. And so we hail the ship, and it bears down this way, and we come by the side of it and ask the captain two questions: "Who art thou? and whence?" and he says: "I am Captain of Salvation, and I am from the manger." Oh! bright Christmas morning of my soul's delight. Chime all the bells. Wreathe all the garlands. Rouse all the anthems. Shake hands in all the congratulations.

Merry Christmas! Merry with the thought of sins forgiven, merry with the idea of sorrows comforted, merry with the raptures to come. Oh! lift that Christ from the manger and lay him down in all our hearts. We may not bring to him as costly a present as the magi brought, but we bring to his feet and to the manger to-day the frankincense of our joy, the pearls of our tears, the kiss of our love, the prostration of our worship.

Down at his feet, all churches, all ages, all earth, all Heaven. Down at his feet the four-and-twenty elders on their faces. Down the "great multitude that no man can number." Down Michael the archangel! Down all worlds at his feet and worship. "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will to men!"

RESEATING CHAIRS.

How to do It Neatly and at a Comparatively Trifling Cost.

Sometimes one has cane-seat chairs, the frames of which are good, but their seats have given out. If one wishes to reseat such, neatly and cheaply, here is my method: Remove the old seat, cleaning out all the holes, and if the frames require painting or varnishing, do it now. Get some twine (do not know the name, but it is the same as florists and seedsmen use in tying parcels for shipment) about the size of wool twine, a pound costing twenty-five cents, will usually reseat three chairs. With a darning needle threaded with a short piece of common twine, and this looped around the end of the heavy twine, draw your twine up through the hole at left hand back corner, then down through the corresponding one in front (consult one of the original seats for this information), up through the hole to the right of that, then down through the second one of the back and so on until the warp is all in and the threads drawn tightly. Then proceed in the same way from side to side, only you must weave these into the others alternately over and under.

I generally begin with the end right off the ball, pulling it along so as to make the warp without piecing, then unwind and cut off sufficient length to fill in, beginning at the back left hand corner, of course, and weave from back to front. This makes the seat of only one piece, but it may be pieced if necessary, by tying under the frame between holes and tucking the ends under the selvedge stitches. To finish off, take a piece of the twine long enough to reach around the seat, then with some common twine well waxed, or better still a fine number of the same quality as the heavy twine, thread the darning needle, pass it up through the second hole from the right hand back corner, over the heavy cord and back through same hole. Repeat in every alternate hole around the frame, crossing the ends at the right hand back corner and fastening by a stitch. Fasten ends of small binding twine securely, cut ends of heavy binder close, and the work is complete, and if the twine is good and the work well done, will be durable.—*Orange Judd Farmer.*

LAUGHTER AND SMILES.

The Differences Between the Genuine and Artificial Article.

The crocodile, if he is the scaly old hypocrite he is represented to be, should be accredited with smiles as well as tears. False smiles are, in fact, much more common than false tears, and for this reason: It is the easiest thing in the world to work the risible muscles, while only a few gifted individuals have sufficient command over their lachrymal glands to compel them to secrete at will. Few great tragedians, even, have the knack of laying on the waters of affliction impromptu, but who ever saw a supernumerary bandit that could not "smile and smile, and be a villain," or a chorus singer, or ballet-girl that did not look as if she had been newly tickled across the lips with a straw!

Of artificial smiles there is a greater number than we have space to classify. Madam Bon-Ton has her receiving smile—a superb automatic effect; Count Faro, the distinguished foreigner, who is trying Washington this year because Monte Carlo doesn't agree with him, shuffles the cards with a smile that distracts every body's attention from his fingers; Miss Magnet, whose heart and lips dissolved partnership in very early life, makes such a Cupid's bow of the latter whenever an "eligible match" approaches, that fortunes flutter round her like moths round a flame; in short, smiling is a regular business accomplishment of thousands of people whose souls have no telegraphic communication with their lips.

But, on the other hand, thank Heaven, there are a goodly number of people who smile because they can't help it—whose happiness, bubbling up from their hearts, runs over in smiles at their lips or bursts through them in jovial laughter. And there is a difference between the false and true symbol of joy that enables the keen observer readily to distinguish the one from the other. The natural expression of delight varies with the emotion that gives rise to it, but the counterfeit smile is a stereotype, and the tone of a hypocrite's laugh never varies.—*N. Y. Ledger.*

THE BELLS OF JAPAN.

Their Deep and Wonderful Sweetness—How They Are Sounded.

The bells of Japan are among its loveliest possessions. One of the sweetest of them rang out many times every day into the waiting air, in this far-away little city. Its tone was intensely thrilling and pathetic. The bells are not sounded by a clapper within, but are struck from the outside by a sort of wooden arm, or battering-ram. Being withdrawn to the proper distance and released, it strikes the bell once—and the strokes are allowed to succeed one another only with a dignified and stately regularity. Tradition says the finest bells have much silver in their composition which may account for their deep and wonderful sweetness. Whether this be so or not, the bells make a profound impression upon all sensitive or musical organizations, heretofore accustomed to the more discordant church bells of a newer civilization.

And never did the lovely temple-bell in Shirakawa ring out so sadly and deliciously as one night when a great fire laid waste a portion of the city. Thirty or forty houses made a fine blaze for two or three hours, and we watched it from the castle wall with pity and interest. The crackling of the flames as they licked up one little thatched roof after another was terribly audible; so, too, were the helpless cries and shouts of the surrounding crowd—while the red odors were whirled far aloft and fell even around us. But through the confusion and tumult, the calm bell rang out its indescribably beautiful note—in quicker succession than usual, but losing none of its dignity and sweetness, for all the discordant sounds so near.—*Mabel Loomis Todd, in St. Nicholas.*

Unaffected Sincerity.

Unaffected sincerity can not be simulated, nor can it be concealed. It will show itself in a speaker's expression of countenance, and in every movement and manner. It sounds in the tones of the voice, and it exhibits itself in the play of the mouth while speaking. The more delicate and sensitive the organization, the surer the display of naturalness or of affectation in the speaker. The keen-eyed observer can often read the inner mind of a lady stranger, in her estimate of herself and in her thoughts of her companions, by noting the unconscious and uncontrollable movement of her lips, and of the lines of her face about the lips, while in conversation in a street-car, or in a social gathering; and this without hearing a single word that she says. In fact, the only way to seem unaffected is to be unaffected; and the only sure way of appearing natural and winsome is by being natural and winsome.—*S. S. Times.*

If one is solicited to give money to a good cause, he ought not to treat the applicant as a sort of nuisance, but to thank God that an opportunity has been afforded him for doing good, and also prove his gratitude by giving as the Lord hath prospered him.—*N. Y. Independent.*

The good we do, whether in practical activity or simply in right thinking, is, all of it, in some measure useful to those around us. But it is no less useful to ourselves, and even from that point of view we can not do too much of it. He who wishes to be blest can thus help bless himself.

THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY.

Why It Will Live Long After Its Republican Opponent Is Forgotten.

A drowning man goes down for the third time and then sinks to rise no more.

The Democratic party has had but three straight reverses since it came into power at the beginning of this century. This is a pretty fair showing for a life of eighty-eight years. The last reverse has lately occurred in the defeat of Mr. Cleveland, and perhaps this is interpreted by the blind prophets who are asserting that it will never come into power again to mean a drowning party going down for the third and last time.

Such prophecies either argue a lamentable ignorance of the history of the parties in this and other representative countries or are intended merely as a species of "bluff" inspired by the bracing morning air of party triumph. The Democratic party is a good swimmer and has never gone down at all yet, but has simply had an average reverse of once in about thirty years. It is the only party that has lived through the entire history of our country and still survives in its original vigor.

The party which overthrew Federalism under the powerful prestige of Washington and John Adams and came into power at the beginning of the century under Thomas Jefferson retained that power and the respect of the whole people for forty successive years. But, to show how utterly unforseen is the destiny of any party, the Whigs in 1840 carried General Harrison into the Presidency with a swoop that was as surprising to themselves as to their amazed and bewildered adversaries.

And curiously enough the party that performed this feat was only four years old. It had no principles and made no pretensions to any, save opposition to the administration of the day. Its candidate was seventy years old and had no especial qualifications or claims for the office. It was simply a sort of fright and spasmodic reaction of the people, following the severe panic of 1837, which was supposed to have been brought about by Jackson's warfare upon the United States Bank and Van Buren's fidelity to his predecessor's policy. About the only logic in the whole Whig craze is expressed in the familiar party lines:

Farewell, dear Van,
You're not our man;
To guide our ship,
We'll try old T p;

or in these still sillier ones:

For Tippecanoe and Tyler, too—Tippecanoe and Tyler, too;
And with them we'll beat little Van, Van—Van is a used up man;
And with them we'll beat little Van.

But the hollow craze of Whiggery subsided almost as quickly as it came. In 1844 the Democracy reunited under James K. Polk, the first "dark horse" in American politics. Once more the Whig party lifted its head in 1848, and elected Zachary Taylor, after which it vanished forever. From 1852 to 1860 the Democracy held the reins of power, when the long-developing free soil issue culminated in the birth of the Republican party.

In these great political changes the mere election returns offer no intelligent basis for determining the fortunes of a party. In 1836 the popular vote for Van Buren in the 26 States that took part was 761,549, as against the combined Whig vote of 736,656. Van Buren had 170 electoral votes out of 294, against four Whig competitors. But only four years later Harrison's popular vote nearly doubled, and the entire Democratic combination got but 60 electoral votes out of the 294. Four years later the scales tipped back again, only to be reversed once more and then swing back again to Democracy.

If the reader will examine the history of these times he will see how sensitive is the popular pulse to the merest accidents of political administration. Yet, on the whole, the average vitality of the Democratic party has remained constant for eighty-eight years.

A more astonishing havoc in election figures than the Harrison "hard cider," "log cabin" upheaval is seen in the way in which Grant swept the board in 1868 and 1872. In 1868 Horatio Seymour got but 80 electoral votes out of 317, in thirty-seven States, Grant capturing solid Democratic States right and left. In 1872 the slaughter was still more terrific, and the entire combination of Hendricks, Brown, Greeley, Jenkins and Davis pitted against Grant only secured 63 electoral votes against his 286. The Democracy only got 42 electoral votes this trip; yet, four years later, Samuel J. Tilden had a popular vote of 4,284,885, against 4,033,950 for Hayes. No honest man need hesitate to say, too, that he had a majority of the electoral college, and was fairly elected President of the United States.

The real Democratic sentiment has been at its average pressure since Tilden was cheated out of his seat. It has been merely some unforeseen element that decided the issue in the contest between Garfield and Hancock, and of Cleveland against Harrison. The real sentiment of the country is as strongly Democratic to-day, when given fair expression, as it was eighty-eight years ago, when Jefferson founded the party. Democracy still stands for a certain line of principles and tendencies in free government which are bound to live and to triumph in the long run.

He who flippantly predicts that the Democratic party will not revive for twenty-five, fifty or one hundred years can be none other than the insincere charlatan, joker or "bluffer." No such hollow nonsense will ruffle the faith of an intelligent Democrat, nor will it deter the leading lights of the party from holding to the temperate and reasonable policy of opposing the over-taxation of the masses for the benefit of the classes.—*Boston Globe.*

RACE SEPARATION.

Senator Ingalls Pronounces the Negroes Incapable of Self-Government.

Probably from the force of habit, the Republican press hoisted the bloody shirt immediately upon a declaration made by Congressman Oates, of Alabama, the other day, that the only way to break the solid South was to eliminate the negro vote. It was amusing, however, to observe how quickly the ensanguined garment was hauled down when that typical Kansas statesman, John James Ingalls, stepped up to Mr. Oates' side and signified his readiness to back him up in the statement. For some time Senator Ingalls has been an advocate of race separation, and on one or two occasions expressed views on this subject that subjected him to harsh criticism from his own party associates. Now that the election is over, and his opinions can do no injury to the Republican party, Mr. Ingalls talks more freely than he has heretofore done. He says that he is satisfied the change from slavery to freedom, from subordination to race equality, has complicated instead of simplified the race problem. So far from solving the fatal problem, the change has added new elements of difficulty and danger. His study of history has convinced him that it is not possible for two distinct races not homogeneous to exist upon terms of practical equality under the same government. One or the other must go to the wall. "The black race is not only growing blacker," says Senator Ingalls, "but it is increasing numerically much more rapidly than the white race. This is a fact of ominous significance, and adds to the gravity of the issue."

Speaking of the usual campaign allegation that the black vote is suppressed in the Southern States, or, if they vote, their ballots are not counted, Mr. Ingalls is inclined to accept the truth of it. Yet he is frank enough to say that the Southern whites are sincere in their belief that the negro race is not capable of self-government, and that negro supremacy in those States would result in the degradation and destruction of society and the State. He is furthermore of opinion that if the same conditions existed in any State north of the Potomac they would be followed by precisely the same results. The white race would maintain its supremacy, even though it had to be done by ballot suppression. Therefore, he is all the more convinced of the impossibility of two such distinct races living together on terms of exact equality. He is satisfied in his own mind that race antagonism in the Southern States is a permanent condition, and that by reason of their superior intelligence, wealth and morality the whites must remain supreme. He, therefore, in the interest of the colored man, advocates a speedy race separation, and the colonizing of the negroes in the West India islands, along the lowlands of Mexico or some place where the regions and environments would be friendly to the African blood. His idea is to have the negroes colonized under the protection of the United States; that they would be subjects of its Government and full sharers of its citizenship, and that thus they may yet accomplish their destiny and fulfill the prophecy that Ethiopia shall stretch out its hands to God and rejoice.—*St. Paul Globe.*

THE ELECTION RETURNS.

What Harrison's Election by a Minority Vote Really Means.

The Republican minority is smaller this year than it was four years ago.

This means that Republicanism gets the spoils of a battle it did not win, and that Democracy must wait four years before establishing in the Administration of the country those principles which triumphed by the test of the popular vote.

It means that the people have not been frightened away from tariff reform by the free-trade bugaboo.

It means that the demand for a reduction of taxation has not been silenced by the clamor of the surplus spenders.

It means that the Democratic programme of retrenchment in expenditures has prevailed over the plots of the pension-grabbers, of the subsidy mongers and appropriation cranks.

It means that the policy of restoring the unclaimed land grants to the people must be continued, not checked.

It means that Civil-Service reform is so firmly established that it can be set aside by any party in power only under penalty of defeat.

It means that the united influences of corporations, trusts and money combinations are powerless in the face of popular sentiment.

It means that the Republican victory is an accident and that Democratic supremacy is permanent, because Democracy represents the sentiments which must ultimately prevail.

It means that nothing but a miracle can prevent the Republicans from losing the fruits of their accidental victory and that Democracy has only to continue with a firm step in the path in which it has, with occasional faltering, advanced during the past four years, to insure its return to power at the end of a single interregnum.—*St. Louis Post-Dispatch.*

CURRENT COMMENTS.

—Why doesn't Fire Alarm Foraker put down the Ohio "White Caps?" The man who suppressed the rebellion should make short work of those scoundrels.—*Chicago Herald.*

—No wise man can approve the acts of the Anarchists; but every wise man knows that government by the Republican party in later years has had a tendency to create Anarchists.—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

—Senator Sherman is never more absurd than when he talks of competition among American manufacturers. With trusts, which are born of the thieving tariff, how is competition possible?—*Louisville Courier-Journal.*

—The way to "keep this country running," and to keep it running at the top of its speed, is to so administer the Government as to recognize the equal dignity of all sections and let every body alone just as much as possible.—*Nashville American.*

—Mr. Russell Harrison is now on the road, with headquarters at Indianapolis. He carries samples of portfolios in his grip which the head of the house will duplicate when ordered. It is understood that he has taken one order at Augusta, Me.—*Chicago Globe.*

—Let the monopolists carry things with a high hand now, for the day is not remote when the accursed system of reciprocal rapine, which enables them to plunder the country and to buy with a part of their plunder a license to continue their robberies will come down with a great crash.—*Indianapolis Sentinel.*

—It is claimed that Mr. Harrison was trapped into giving Mr. Blaine the State Secretaryship by being made to believe that he would be satisfied with the mere compliment of the offer and decline the appointment. If this be a fact Mr. Harrison does not yet know Mr. Blaine. The latter's powers of declination do not extend to a place in which he can be the boss of the Harrison Administration.—*Chicago Herald.*

—The Democratic style of statesmanship is thoroughly National, repudiating every thing that savors of partiality to a section. It cherishes an impartial regard for all sections and all interests. Its great heart embraces alike the North, the South, the East and the West, and it rejoices in the prosperity of the great agricultural, mining, manufacturing and commercial interests alike.—*Richmond Whig.*

FARM AND FIRESIDE.

—There should be a supply of red peppers kept during the winter to be fed to poultry with their regular food.

—The curry-comb is a source of pleasure to the horse, or an instrument of torture, accordingly as it is handled.

—Good feeding racks always return a large interest upon the money invested. It never pays to throw feed of any kind upon the ground.—*Farm, Field and Stockman.*

—No greater error in judgment is ever committed by any farmer than to suppose that painstaking work is not paying work. You never hear those who are succeeding best and who are making the money expressing themselves in this way.

—All birds should be picked and drawn as soon as possible after being killed. To do this properly every pin feather should be removed, and the bird should be singed, then drawn, the head and feet cut off, the oil-bag removed and the wind-pipe taken out. The giblets should be dressed.

—The great secret in making underdraining a permanent improvement is in securing uniform fall when laying the tile and maintaining a good outlet. When this outlet has been closed a year or two, if there be a good fall, reopening it will cause it to wash out obstructing sediment.

—Many farmers lose eggs in winter by leaving one behind as a nest-egg. It is much more profitable to buy a few glass ones than to have good eggs frozen when worth four or five cents each. Glass eggs will not cost over three or four cents each, and will last any length of time with care. Collect eggs as soon after they are laid as possible, in cold weather; otherwise they will get chilled and will not hatch.

—Apple Omelet: Pare, core and stew six large, tart apples as for sauce; beat them very smooth while hot, adding one tablespoon of butter, six tablespoons of white sugar, nutmeg to the taste, and one teaspoon of rosewater; when quite cold add three eggs, beaten separately very light, putting in the whites last; pour into a deep pudding dish, previously warmed and well buttered. Bake in a moderate oven until it is delicately browned. Eat warm, not hot.

Beans or peas designed for seed should be put into tight barrels as soon as dry in the autumn, and kept headed up until the time of planting and then hot water should be poured in through an auger hole to kill all of the weevil in whatever state of development. In this way they may be gotten rid of. In small quantities they may be kept in tight boxes or heavy paper bags. Tie a lump of gum camphor in paper and insert it in the middle of the box or bag.

—Lime may not show its beneficial effects on the soil for a year or two, as the character of the soil must be considered. Lime adds but very little valuable plant food to the soil, as all soils contain lime, but its chemical action on the inert matter of the soil liberates other substances that would not be otherwise available. It should be applied as regularly as manure, in order to secure its assistance in decomposing the plant food already existing in the soil.

—Clam Pie: Wash clean twenty good-sized clams, put them in a pan and pour three pints of boiling water over them, cover them tightly until the shells open, take out the clams and chop them quite fine. Make a crust as for chicken-pie, line a three-quart basin with it, and put in the chopped clams, season with butter and pepper. Pour over this the water in which the shells were opened and dust two rolled crackers over the top. Cover the whole with crust and bake in a quick oven.—*Rural New Yorker.*

DISABLED ANIMALS.

The Danger of Allowing Unskilled "Cow Doctors" to Treat Them.

Even on the best regulated farms, when all due care is exercised, animals will get sick and disabled. In such cases it is best, when practicable, to call in a skilled veterinary surgeon at once. By prompt and skillful attention an injury may often be repaired and an animal's usefulness preserved, or a simple ailment may be prevented from growing into something more serious, so that the extra expense is usually a saving in the end. In the absence of a veterinarian, the family physician may sometimes be pressed into service. He will often do quite as well as a "vet" when willing to act in this capacity. Some farmers are quite successful in treating the simple ailments of their stock themselves. These are men who have made an intelligent study of the structure and habits of the animals in their care and when symptoms of functional disturbance present themselves they can make a pretty correct diagnosis of the case and get at the root of the difficulty. As a rule, however, the way in which sick and disabled animals are dosed and treated, in the absence of competent medical skill, by their well-meaning owners and the local "horse doctor," is simply atrocious. We have known a man to bore a half inch auger hole clear through the skull of a muley cow as a remedy for what he called "hollow horn." It is scarcely necessary to explain that the cow died.

In another case an ignorant fellow, who treated most of the sick animals in his neighborhood, poured a pound of quicksilver down a horse as a remedy for colic. The dose ruptured the poor horse's stomach and he was soon relieved from his sufferings. Turpentine poured into a cow's ears is a common remedy for all sorts of imaginary ills. If the poor cow shakes her head it is doing her good. Cayenne pepper is used in the same way. The actions of the animal testify to the excruciating suffering caused by the application of such fiery substances to an extremely sensitive surface. In fact a sick animal is often more danger from the "doctoring" of some ignorant quack or its thoughtless owner than from the disease which the treatment is aimed at. There are quacks among veterinarians as well as among family physicians, and unless a man can show a diploma from a reliable veterinary college it is, as a rule, safer to trust the case to nature than to have any thing to do with him. Don't waste time and add to an animal's sufferings by administering heroic remedies for such mythical diseases as "hollow horn" "wolf-tail," etc. If a cow's horns are cold boring them and blowing pepper into the holes will not cure her of the indigestion which is probably at the bottom of the whole difficulty. If good medical skill is not within reach and unless you are certain you know what ails an animal and can treat it intelligently, it is better to rely upon good nursing and let remedies alone.—*Philadelphia Press.*

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Many people have good aims, but they never pull the trigger.—*Western Plowman.*

THE MARKETS.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 11.

LIVESTOCK—Cattle—Common	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Choice butchers	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
HOGS—Common	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Good packers	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
SHEEP—Good to choice	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
LAMBS—Good to choice	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
FLOUR—Family	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
GRAIN—Wheat—[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
No. 3 red		@ [illegible]
Corn—No. 2 [illegible]		@ [illegible]
Oats—No. 2 [illegible]		@ [illegible]
Rye—No. 2		@ [illegible]
HAY—Prime to choice	14 50	@ 15 00
TOBACCO—Medium Leaf	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Good Leaf	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
PROVISIONS—Pork—Mess	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Lard—Prime steam	[illegible]	@ 7 [illegible]
BUTTER—Choice Dairy	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Prime to Choice Creamery	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
APPLES—Prime per bbl	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
POTATOES—Per bush	[illegible]	@ [illegible]

NEW YORK.

FLOUR—State and Western	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red		@ [illegible]
[illegible]		@ [illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
PORK—[illegible]	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
LARD—[illegible] steam		@ [illegible]

CHICAGO.

FLOUR—Wis. [illegible]	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
GRAIN—Wheat—[illegible]	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
No. 2 [illegible]	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Corn—No. 2	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
Oats—No. 2		@ [illegible]
PORK—Mess	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
LARD—Steam		@ [illegible]

BALTIMORE.

FLOUR—Family	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2		@ [illegible]
Corn—Mixed		@ [illegible]
Oats—Mixed		@ [illegible]
PORK—Mess		@ [illegible]
LARD—Refined	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
CATTLE—First quality	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
HOGS	[illegible]	@ [illegible]

INDIANAPOLIS.

GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red		@ [illegible]
Corn		@ [illegible]
Oats—Mixed		@ [illegible]

LOUISVILLE.

FLOUR—A No. 1	[illegible]	@ [illegible]
GRAIN—Wheat—No. 2 red		@ [illegible]
Corn—Mixed		@ [illegible]
Oats—Mixed		@ [illegible]
PORK—Mess		@ [illegible]
LARD—Steam		@ [illegible]

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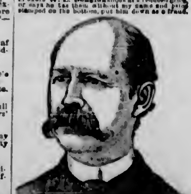

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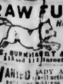

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